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"In the northwest, however, numerous violations are

occuring oo both sides," he added.

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Bosnian ceasefire is holding amid revelations of atrocities

> Serb army reported on Friday morning that the ceasefire was being "chiefly respected" around Sanski Most, a town in the northwest where pitched battles continued long after other fronts calmed. Bosnian Serbs and govern-

> ment military representatives met at Sarajevo airport on Thursday and agreed to issue fresh ceasefire orders. Officers from both sides were due to meet on the Banja Luka-Mrkonjic Grad road and the Sanski Most-Prijedor road later in the day, the Col. Vernon said.

> The rivals were persuaded by the United States to accept the truce, the 35th during Bosnia's 42-month old war, in order to calm tensions before peace negotiations start on October 31.

> The president of Bosnia, Croatia and Serbia, the latter negotiating also on behalf of the Bosnia Serbs, will attend the talks at Wright-Patterson air force base near Dayton,

Hopes for peace were raised after the latest round of whirlwind diplomacy by U.S. negotiator Richard Holbrooke, Russia's Igor Ivanov and the European Uniou's

Yugoslavia and Bosnia agreed to exchange liaison offices, a low-level form of diplomatie contact, while, Croatia promised not to go to war to recover eastern Slavonia from rebel Serbs.

The United States administration and NATO are meanwhile making plans to enforce a hoped-for peace with the largest troop deployment since the 1991 Gulf war.

President Bill Clinton insisted he could dispel opposition in Congress to sending U.S. troops to Bosnia and said they would have to stay

about a year. "I believe that in the end that the congress will support this operation," be told a White House news confer-



AMMAN SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1995, JUMADA ULA 27, 1416

Chief Chamberlain Prince Ra'd Ben Zeid is sworn in as Regent in the presence of His Majesty King Hussein shortly before the King headed for the U.N. to attend the world body's 50th anniversary celebrations (Petra photo)

Customs, fee and tax on most

items to be under 50% ceiling

Changes will take effect as of Jan.1, 1996

International Monetary Fund

According to the sources,

the planned reductions in

customs duties involve all

products which are now sub-

ject to more than 50 per cent

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King heads for U.N. celebrations, talks with world leaders

brought 24.38 kilogrammes of the explosive nitropenta from Romania to East Berlin in May 1982.

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HM, in address to non-aligned, calls for focus on socio-economic development

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

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AMMAN — His Majesty King Hussein headed for the United States on Friday to attend the 50th anniversary celebrations of the United Nations, where he is also expected to meet with world leaders, including many from the Arab World.

The King, who will pay a brief private visit to the United Kingdom on his way to the U.N. at New York, will deliver an address at the world body's celebrations outlining Jordan's views on the role the U.N. in resolving international disputes, and the U.N.'s activities in social services, health and education, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported.

My speech will summarise my feelings as 50 years elapsed on the foundation of this organisation," said the King in remarks to the press published Friday.

"We have dealt with the United Nations for so long," added King Hussein, who took the helm of Jordan only seven years after the birth of

On his way back from the U.N., the King will make a stopover in Spain to accept the prestigious Prince Asturias Concord Prize, which was awarded to him in appreciation of his efforts for peace and in service of human

The King is accompanied on the visit by Prime Minister Sbarif Zeid Ben Sbaker, Their Royal Highnesses Prince Abdullah and Princess Rania, Royal Court Chief Marwan Al Qasem, and His Royal Highness Prince Talal Ben Mohammad, the King's military secretary.

Chief Chamberlain Prince Ra'd Ben Zeid was sworn in to serve as Regent during the King's absence from home. At the U.N., the King is expected to bold talks with

many of the more than 50 other world leaders attending the world body's anniversary celebrations. The London-based Al

Hayat Arabic daily reported from Riyadh, the Saudi capital, King Hussein and Prince Sultan Ben Abdul Aziz, the Saudi deputy prime minister, were expected to meet at the

It will be the first meeting of that level between Jordan and Saudi Arabia after the Gulf crisis, when Jordan's relations with the Gulf states were strained. Ties bave improved since then, and the King recently expressed bope that a Jordanian-Saudi summit would be beld soon.

Prince Saud Al Faisal, is expected to visit Jordan later this month and the newly appointed Saudi ambassador to Jordan is due in Amman

around the same time. Kuwait's emir, Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah, will also be attending the U.N. celebrations, but there was no report of a planned meeting between the King and the

However, according to a diplomatie source, "there is no reason that the emir and King Hussein should not

The foreign ministers of Jordan and Kuwait have met and agreed to continue contacts in a bid to return bilateral relations to normal. Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad Al Sabah, the Kuwaiti minister, might visit Jordan soon, according to unconfirmed reports.

All member states of the Saudi-led Gulf Cooperation Council will send delegations to the Oct. 29-31 Middle East and North Africa (MENA) economic summit in Amman.

Other Arab leders attending the U.N. celebrations in New York include Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, Algerian

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The Saudi foreign minister,

TEL AVIV (Agencies) — Israeli Foreign Minister Shi-mon Peres said on Friday there would be no movement in peace talks with Syria unless Damascus changed its

from among an abundance of issues, and to talk only on one level from among a plethora of levels, that is a mistake. Things will not move," Mr. Peres told Israel's army radio in an interview on four years of talks

Israel has long called for talks between its Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Syrian President Hafez Al Assad, or at least between the states' foreign ministers. Negotiations so far have

been conducted between ambassadors and military officers, focusing mainly on

U.S. Ambassador to Israel Martin Indyk said Secretary of State Warren Christopher

SARAJEVO (Agencies) --A ceasefire aimed at paving

the way for peace talks in the

United States seemed to be

holding in most of Bosnia

except for the northwest, the

United Nations said on Fri-

The truce in Bosnia mean-

while continued to hold up

well along 800 kilometres of

would meet Mr. Rabin in New York on Saturday and also hold talks with Syrian Foreign Minister Faronk Al

those discussions, we will have a better idea of what the next step will be," Mr. Indyk told Israel Radio on Thurs-

Friday for celebrations of the United Nations' 50th anniversary. He will go to Washington on Oct, 25.

Recently Syria has accused Israel of wasting time in negotiations and Israel has charged Damascus with reneging on agreements to resume talks on security issues

his government might be dragging its feet on the Syrian peace track ahead of Israel's November 1996 national elections. Israel's public is overwhelmingly opposed to total withdrawal from the

an agreement with Syria was key to a comprehensive Middle East peace.

m the near future.

Baghdad urges Washington to accept Saddam legitimacy Minister expects problems with U.N.

inspections to be resolved in weeks

BAGHDAD (Agencies) -Iraq on Friday urged the United States to acknowledge that President Saddam Hussein represents his people and deal with him after bis victory in the country's first presidential

By a Jordan Times

Staff Reporter

AMMAN —The government

has decided to reduce customs

duties on most items except

cars, tobacco products and al-

cohol, informed sources said

The reductions will be the

second in one year on most

major products. The govern-

ment brought down customs

duties on most items to 50

The new reduced rates of

customs duties come in the

wake of ao increase in the

baseline general sales tax to

10 per cent from seven per

cent and an across-the-broad

cut in income tax that mostly

benefit the low-income.

They also come ahead of

Jordan's entry to the World

Trade Organisation (WTO).

WTO membership is contin-

gent of members reducing tar-

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groups and businessmen.

per cent late last year.

Friday.

U.S. President Bill Clinton "should deal with the facts resulting from the re-ferendum," held Sunday in which President Saddam obtained 99.96 per cent of the votes, the official daily newspaper Al Jumhouriyah

"The U.S. reputation would not suffer from a positive response to Iraq's invitation to a dialogue," h added, referring to Washington's reservations about dealing with some governments it accuses of

being undemocratic. The ruling Baath Party newspaper, Al Thawra, said: "The attitude of Western countries, which are trying to play down the referendum result, will lead them to lose more of their mterests."

It was referring to the possible contracts that could be awarded by Iraq after the lifting of the U.N. oil and trade embargo imposed since its Angust 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

In bis appointment speech Tuesday, President Saddam called for a "new chapter" in foreign relations. The United States called the referendam a

Meanwhile, Iraq expects to solve all its arms control problems with the United Nations "within weeks," Oil Minister Amir Mohammad Rasheed said on Thursday.
"We think we will settle

all the pending issues relat-ing to the fast programmes so that in the coming few weeks we could finalise this final episode of (U.N. Security Council Resolu-tion 687," he told a news conference.

Rolf Ekeus, the head of the U.N. Special Commission on Iraq's arms programmes, would come back to Baghdad within two or three weeks for what Iraq hopes will be the last round of talks on details of these past programmes, be said.
"He (Ekeus) knows very

well now that Iraq is fully credible and fully open and all the necessary information is either being supplied to his inspection teams of answered, so I don't think this problem will continue.

"If Iraq fulfils its obligations, the Security Council has an obligation to lift the oil embargo... we have ful-filled. There is still this little problem of the past programmes, which we are

now settling in the coming few weeks," he added. "The minister, who has assumed responsibility for military industrialisation from defector Hussein Kamel, said the defector

had been responsible for preventing Iraq ibtaining a clean bill of health from

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government revenue as a re-

sult of the reductions and

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Government officials have

consistently rejected reports

that proposals were being

considered to bring down the

customs duties on car. The of-

ficials point out that the gov-

ernment offered a sizeable re-

duction (27 per cent to 45 per

cent depending on the engine

size of the vehicle) late last

Replying to complaints

from businesses that large

transport vehicles still cost

high when compared to prices

in the region, the officials

point out that the newly

adopted Investment

Promotion Law provides for

customs duty exemption for

heavy vehicles if they are di-

rectly used in the transport of

goods produced by industrial

units involving fresh capital.

imported product.

ately known.

Mr. Ekeus. 'This influencing factor, which was an obstacle in cooperation with the special commission, has dis-appeared so since early Angust we have seen very trank," he said.

Asked if the United States and its allies might find pretexts to keep U.N. sanctiona in place, Lientenant-Géneral Rasheed said:

"They are very professional and always falsifying our position and generating new stories about Iraq not fulfilling its obligations and

so on. "But I think our continuous approach, to be very objective and constructive, and to stick to our obligations... is the right path, which we are now following."

After bis last visit to

Baghdad, Mr. Ekeus gave the U.N. Security Council a critical report and said Iraq bad made more advances than previously thought on all types of banned weapons - nuclear, ballistic, chemical and biological.

Mr. Ekeus :said Iraq had concealed from his team a large biological weapons programme, its chemical missile warhead flight test and work on the development of a missile to delivery a nuclear warbead.

Palestinians protest Israel's land grabs

HALHUL, occupied West Bank (Agencies) — Almost 300 Palestinians demonstrated here Friday against Israel's seizure of land for construction of roads linking Jewish settlements in the West Bank.

The demonstrators held a sit-in and prayed on a small parcel of expropriated land where vines are growing. They said Israeli military authorities had seized 280 hectares of Palestinian land

tc) build a military camp and art 11-kilometre road in this area in the south of the terri-

The road will avoid Palestinizin villages and link the Jewish settlement of Kiryat Arlba near Hebron with that at Karnei Tzur when Israel give's the Palestinians selfrule in the territory, which it has occupied since 1967.

"The army is taking our best land for the benefit of 30 settlers living at Karnei Tznr," said Hatem Abu Dayeh, one of the protestors, who criticised the Palestinian National Authority (PNA) for failing to react to the confiscations.

The Israeli army monitored the protest from a distance but did not intervene. The demonstration passed off without incident. Khalil Tufakji, a geographer with an Arab studies centre in East Jerusalem, said

Price: Jordan 150 Fils

Israel was building seven roads total ling 45 kilometres to bypass Palestinian areas. Israel has said it will redeploy its troops in the West Bank, as agreed in a Sept. 28 accord with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) extending Palestinian self-

roads are finished to provide security for settlers. Police confront Zeevi

rule in the territory, when the

A lhardline Israeli legislator, who has vowed to shoot any Palestinian policeman tryin g to stop him, finally came face to face with that real ity Friday - and balked.

" I didn't have my gun with me:," said Rehavam Zeevi, a for mer army commander of th e West Bank and a leader of! the Moledet, or "bomelaind," party, which opposes the Israel-Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO)

Mr. Zeevi said the confrontation came when he led group of supporters to an old synagogue in the

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Oct. 13 that be had secured

the basis of an agreement

with the Libyan leader a

week earlier providing for the

Qadhafi had agreed to allow

the Palestinians stranded on

the border to return to Libya

announced in September bis

intention to expel all 30,000

Palestinians in his country to

try to show up what he called

the failure of Israeli-PLO

peace accords to create a

viable Palestinian homeland. Some 5,000 Palestinians have

Ron Redmond, a spokes-

man for the U.N. High Com-

missioner for Refugees

(UNHCR), said in Geneva that 10 to 12 Palestinians

were arriving in the no-man's

land between Libya and

Egypt every day.

The situation is de-

teriorating by the day," he added. Many of them were

arriving "soaked to the bones" and living in "awful

UNHCR has supplied wa-

ter and food and hoped to

send blankets. Redmond

said. He urged countries to

Palestinians expelled from

Libya stormed the bridge of a

ship anchored off Cyprus on

Friday, but calmed down

when told that a vessel to

take most of them to Syria

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Mr. Musa also said Colonal

expulsions to be halted.

Libya expels more despite agreement Amr' Musa announced on

CAURO (Agencies) — Liby: a has forced more Palestinian s to leave the country in violation of an agreement with Egypt that it would end the expulsions, the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLC) representative to the Albab

League said Friday. Mohammad Sobeib, the PLO representative, seid Palestinian families had artived at a makeshift camp housing 1,000 refugees in a desert no man's land between Egypt and Libya's border in

the trast two days.
"Colonel Moamtinar Qadinafi has not yet impleasented the October 6 accord with Egypt on ha iting the expulsions of Pallesti-nians," he said.

"Since that date, doze as of Palestinians have continued to arrive in small groups in no man's land at the Egy stian-Libyan: border."

Egyptian border police confirmed Friday that the exonlisions were continuing. "More than 200 Pales tinians have arrived at the deprortees camp since Oct. 6," said one

"Since that date, 800 others have been able to cross Egypt to go to the Gaza Strip," he said, adding that they had Israeli documents enabling them to enter the autonomous Palestinia n terri-

Mr. Sobeih urged Figypt to renew its efforts to persuade Qadhafi to honour the agree-

Egyptian Foreign Minister

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Hrawi outlines policy for his extended term

BEIRUT (AP) — Fresident Elias Hrawi pledge I Friday to devote an unprecedented three-year extension to his term of office to getti ng Israel out of a border enclaive it bas occupied in South Lebanon since 1985.

He also promised in a 30-minute televised speech to accelerate reconstruction from the devastation of the 1975-90 civil war. Outlining his policies for

the next three years: the day after parliament voted 110-10 to amend the constitution to extend his six-year kerm, the 68-year-old Maronit : Catholic declared in a speech that contained no surprises:

The liberation of South Lebanon from Israel i occupation is the foremost: priority in our na tional struggle. We shall concede no territory or compromise where our sovereignity is concerned."

Israel established the socalled ":security zone" in midfrom Beirut and other parts of the country three years after its 1982 invasion. However, the Israelis have controlled the border enclave to one extent or another since

Mr. Hrawi's Syrian-backed administration has declared its support for a guerrilla campaign aimed at driving the Israelis out of the 1,100square-kilometre enclave.

The guerrillas are spearheaded by Hizbollah and they operate with tacit support of Syria, the undisputed power in Lebanon.

"Resisting occupation is an expression of rejecting occupation," Mr. Hrawi declared. "Resistance will stop only when the occupation is ended "

Mr. Hrawi spoke as tension was high in the south. the last active warfront in the

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Peres: No progress for peace unless Syria changes its stand

"Hopefully, as a result of negotiating approach.
"To talk about one issue

arch-foe for more than 40 vears, are stuck with Damascus demanding Israel return all of the Golan Heights and Israel promising to discuss the size of a pullback only after being assured a full

Mr. Rabin left Israel on

Israel's talks with Syria, its

This week Mr. Rabin slammed Syria over guerrilla attacks on Israeli troops in Lebanon in which nine sol-

45 per cent, and removing most, protective barriers io trade except when the con-Mr. Peres on Friday denied cerned country is bound by any economic restructuring programme agreed with the

The foreign minister said

"The agreement with Syria has to be the summation of all the agreements between ourselves and our neighbours

... that is, to lead to compre-hensive peace," he said. The Israeli daily Haaretz said U.S. officials believe that Mr. Rabin and President Assad are not interested in reaching a peace agreement

Bahrain warns against sabotage, violence

Bahrain's government issued a severe warning on Friday against any repetition of what it described as "acts of sabotage and violence" which shook the archipelago from December 1994 to April.

"No state would tolerate such acts or be lenient towards the perpetrators, Crown Prioce: Sheikh Hamad Beo Isa Al Khalifa told local newspapers.

"Those who responded to directions from foreign par-ties, using method's of sabotage and violence, flaci broken the law. They are traitors who must face the due process of the law," he added, without oaming the parties involved.

"The people of Elahrain would not allow such acts to take place," he said, paying trihute to the emir, Sheikh Isa Ben Salman Al I Chalifa, for his "wisdom" in freeing some of those arrested during the unrest.

The authorities have 1 reed nearly 250 people since Angust, after an agreement with the opposition providing for a phased release of the tetainees held without trial in

exchange for normalisation !-The riots started after the arrest of a Shute Muslim cler ic, Sheikh Ali Salman, who was deported to Londoo in January. At least twelve pecple were killed in the unrest.

io September, Amoesty International said 4,000 people were arrested during the violence, oearly 150 of whom were sentenced to jail terms ranging from six mooths to life imprisonment. One person, convicted of murder, was sentenced to death, it added.

Rafsanjani hails black march

TEHRAN (AP) — Iran's president said Friday that the strong Islamie undertones of the million-man march in Washington were uodeniable proof that this nation's revolntionary message bad been carried to all parts of the world.

"The march was an indication of the deep sociopolitical crises in the United States.' Hashemi Rafsaniani told worshippers gathered at Tehran University for weekly prayers.

"An important point of the march, and one which must have heen very bitter for the American (government) to swallow, was the Islamic manifestations at this congregation," Mr. Rafsanjani

"They (the U.S. government) surely don't want to admit that this is related to the growing Islamic movement in the world, that it is a culture that has been carried from Iran 10 other countries," Mr. Rafsanjani said.

He suggested much of the religious displays at the march had been censored hy the U.S. government, saying the world had gotten only a glimpse of the Islamie mes-

sage of the event. Last Monday's millionman march to promote hlack solidarity was attended by anywhere from 400,000 to g70,000 hlack American тел.



PRISON MOVED: Pale:stinian women wave good-bye to detainees being transferred from the Jenin prison in the occupied West Ban'k to another jail in Israel ahead of the Israeli army deployment in the West Bank to allow for Palestinian self-rule under the Sept. 28 agreement signed in Washington between Israel and the Palestine Liheration Organisation (see story on page one) (AFP photo)

Sickness and despair among expelled Palestinians stuck at no-man's land

THE EGYPTIAN-LIBY/N BORDER (AFP) — Sickness and despair are taking their toll at a steadily growing tent camp sheltering about 1,000 Palestinians expelled from Libya and stranded in no-

Rain and wind storms have worsened conditions at the camp set up by Libya for the Palestinians it has deported, and the U.N. High Commis-sioner for Refugees (UNHCR) has reported 67 cases of diarrhoea among children.

"There is stagnant water in the camp and the residents are having to see to their daily abolutions in the open air because there is no samitation. The conditions are right for sickness and epidentics," said UNHCR spokesman Panos Mumtzis.

With tents left open to the raging winds, the residents

Britons claim.

LAIRNACA (AFP) — Three

killing Danish tour guide

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armested for an offence uo-

known to the law on the

island, a court bere was told

illegal arrest

in Cyprus

ouly have a few hlankets with which to keep warm as the nights get progressively cool-

"How can we go on living here. Winter is coming, the winds are blowing and the tents are not strong enough to resist the downpours," said Abdul Raham Shahin.

The stranded Palestinians blame the outbreak of diarrhoea on polluted water brought in containers hy the Libyan authorities. On Thursday the UNHCR supplied them with 1,200 bottles of water.

Several fear that cholera could spread to the camp with the arrival daily of between 10 to 15 more people from Libya, where a few cases have already been reported.

"The majority bave not been able to take a bath since they arrived at the beginning of October," said Hisham. .50, who waits for nightfall when residents are asleep to wash in the dark with a jerrycan of water.

"I am scared I will be bitten by a scorpion but I still take the risk," he said, only giving his first name. Firial Mohammad Gaber, 32, is heavily pregnant with

ber fifth child "I don't know how I can give birth in these conditions," she said. Another woman embarrassed complained about the lack of sanitary towels.

Not knowing when they can leave and where they will go, only adds to the distress, And the Libyan authorities are hlowing hot and cold.
On Tuesday Libyan liaison

officer Salem Abu Shaala arrived with a list of 13 students allowed to return to Libya to finish their studies. He prom-

ised others would be allowed to follow, the Palestinians

But the promise was never kept, dashing their hopes.

And the U.N.'s refusal to lift an air embargo on Libya to allow it to organise 2,500 flights to repatriate 1.17 milhon African foreign workers sent shock waves through residents fearing thousands of oew arrivals at the already cramped camp.

Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi began to expel the Palestinians at the beginning of September to show up the failore of the autonomy accords with Israel to create a Palestinian homeland.

About 5,000 have already been thrown out on top of the 1,000 still stranded at the border, denied entry by Egypt and refused to allow to return to Libya.

Shiites support Saddam 100% despite violent crackdown

Nobody wants to talk ab-

Lawyers acting for Alan Fort, 27, Jeff Peruell. 23, and Justin Fowler, 27, claimed the three were un-

lawfully arrested at a police road plock on Sept. 13 last year and that officers conspired to cover up their error. Police alleged the soldiers were surrested for failing to

produce their identity cards, a claim refuted by the de-At L arnaca assize court on

Friday, lawyers argued that because foreigners or the island are not required to possess am identity card by law. the soilcliers would have been arrested for an offence which does not exist.

The three Royal Green Jacket millemen, charged with manshinghter, abcloetioo. and consipiracy to rape, hacked the claims when all three this week took the stand for the first time, testifying that no formal arrest took place... KARBALA (AFP) — The died in Karbala and Najaf, mosques, according to the gun and cannon fire that Iraqi the site of the mausoleum of official in charge, wearing a

troops unleashed on the holy cities of Karbala and Najaf to crush the 1991 Shiite Muslim unrest bave few echos today.

out the events. "How is the situation here." a reporter asked a man with a pleasant smile. "I don't want to speak. I don't want to speak," he

said, still smiling.
"If you don't want to speak, maybe there is something wrong," the reporter said. "Oh, there are many things," the man replied before slipping away.

But there was no sign of any protest vote in Snnday's referendum to give President Saddam Hussein aoother seveo years in power.

All the 270,867 voters in Karbala voted "yes" for President Saddam, while 335,568 of the 335,637 voted for him in Najaf, the 69 other ballots being declared void, officials

Only the rubble of buildings razed to the ground bears testimony to the violence of the unrest and governmeot crackdown following Iraq's eviction from Kuwait in the 1991 Gulf war. Several thousand people

the first Imam Ali, founder of Shiite Islam.

> Karbala is a stark reminder of the unrest. Markets which stretched

between the mosques of Al Hussein and Al Abbas are now nothing but a vast square of rubble and dust. Iraqi troops used massive

force to dislodge rebels who had holed up in the mosques. The government has given priority to restoring them: gilded domes and minarets, hine porcelein and white marble facades, and crystal

ceilings loomed over hurial "We had a lot of trouble rebuilding the mosque, 80 per cent of which was destroyed by bandits," Sheikh Abdul Khalik, an official at

Al Hussein Mosque, said. "The marhle should have come from Italy and we were unable to obtain wood of the quality we wanted," he said. But he added Saddam Hussein had quickly ordered the

central bank to deliver 100 kilogrammes of gold and 200 kilogrammes of silver for the repair of the buildings. There are projects to build

hotels and parking lots in the

empty square between the

business suit beneath a long jubba or robe-like coat.

In the meantime, bulldozers finished clearing the rubble where hundreds of men, women in traditional Muslim dress, and children were trying in sell whatever they, could to make a living. In Najaf, reconstruction was quicker.

Nooe of the past splendours of the souk, or market, outside the main entrance of the recently rebuilt Al Ali

Mosgoe, could be seen. The embargo has impoverished everyhody in Iraq, especially the Shiites who account for 60 per cent of Iraqis and are the poorest.

It was in Najaf that Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini lived for 14 years before he drove the Shah ont of Iran. His old house still stands in a somber sidestreet filled with garbage and ruhble, beside the street of the Prophet and near the mosque.

The official in charge was reluctant to show the building which looked more like a haunted house. "Iraq protected him for 14 years and as soon as he went home he laonched a war against us."

Egypt detains extradited militants

CAIRO (R) — Egypt has detained six members of a guerrilla group extradited from Yemen on charges of belonging 10 an illegal organisation and plotting against the state, security sources said on Friday.

They said the men, mem-

bers of the violent Jibad group which assassinated former President Anwar Sadat. were also charged with trying to destroy national institutions and security.
The sources said Egyptian

police arrested the six on their arrival from Yemen. Details of when they were extradited and how long they had lived in Yemen were not immediately available.
Egypt maintains that many

militants opposed to President Hosni Mubarak's rule live in Sudan and Yemen and has asked the two countries to extradite them to Cairo for

Jihad, which now calls itself the Vanguard of Con-quest, shot-dead Sadat at a military parade in 1981.

Egyptian newspapers named the men as Mohammad Moursi, Mohammad Badawi, Ahmad Ahdul Rahim, Mohammsd Ahu Gabal, Ayman Helmy and Mohammad Al Sharqawi and said they were being questioned hy the prosecutorgeneral for planning to assassinate key figures and hlow up strategic targets in Egypt.

Two Jihad members were executed in August after they were convicted of murder and plotting to revive the organisation.

Security crackdowns on the militants have limited their activities but the country's largest Islamist group, the Gamaa Al Islamiyah, is still

active in southern provinces.

More than 800 people have been killed and scores wounded in the clashes between police and militants since the Gamaa launched its campaign to establish a purist Islamic state in Egypt three years ago.

Sudan MP assails German

German Ambassador to Sudan Peter Mende should be dealt with sternly for having accused the Khartoum government of buman rights abuses, a member of Sudan's parliament was quoted Friday as saying.

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Shakir Al Sarraj, who heads the parliameot's foreign relations committee, said Mr. Mende had "gone beyond bis dnties" and urged that he be dealt with "in a manner dictated by the diplomatic norms," the inde-pendent Al Rai Al Akhar daily reported.

"We regard what the ambassador has said was a confirmation of his government's attitude towards the Sudan unless (it) demonstrated otherwise by punishing or recalling him for his hostile campaign. Mr. Sarraj said.

Mr. Mende was quoted last Sunday by the state news agency SUNA as saying at a scientific conference that Germany would no longer provide assistance to Sudan because of its human rights record, adding that students had been killed in Sudanese

Plans for Israeli singer to visit Yemen draw fire

SANAA (R) — Yemeni opposition newspapers on Friday condemned plans to bost an Israeli singer of Yemeni origin next month in Yemen as a step towards normalising relations with the Jewish state.

Al Thawri weekly, organ of the main opposition Ye-meo Socialist Party (YSP). "The government has no right to take such a step without explicit support from the whole of the Yemeni public."

Yemen has traditionally belonged to the hardline Arab camp which strongly opposed opening ties with the Jewish state. Both parts of the country, formerly split into oorth and south, hosted guerrillas from the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) and other more hard-

But Israel's Maariv newspaper quoted Yemeni Fore-ign Minister Abdul Karim Al Iryani on Sunday as saying he would try to arrange for Ofra Haza and Shoshana Damari, both of Yemeni origin, to visit Yemen despite a lack of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

Al Thawri called for a national conference of all parties to determine Yemeni

foreign policy.
"Going too far in preparing the public opinion for normalisation with the (Israeli) enemy bas become an open trend in Yemeni foreign policy," Al Thawri neen ch.

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Another opposition week-ly. Al Wahdawi, said on Wednesday the government seems to bave made up its mind for the option of normalisation with the Zionist

"Iryani's statement was meant to shed more light on the real official Yemeni attitude of normalisation with the occupationist Zionist state," Al Wahdawi, the organ of the small Nasserile Popular Unionist Party, said.

The armed forces newspaper, September 25, said in its Thursday edinon: "The world famous singer Ofra Haza is due to visit her country of origin. Yemen, in November" hut made no mention of her Israeli nationality.

September 26 said Ms. Haza "has played a big role in promoting Yemeni songs in international song festivals" and would sing at con-certs in a number of Yemeni

Attorney general attacks Shin Bet's interrogation

TEL AVIV (AP) — Israel's Shin Bet security service bas misled cabinet ministers to win approval for a harsh interrogation method of Palestinian suspects, the attorney general said in an interview published Thurs-

The method, known as violent shaking or "tiltulim" in Hebrew, led to the death of a Palestinian detaioee this

In the interview, Attorney General Michael Ben-Yair sharply criticised the Shin Bet, suggesting the agency was pushing too hard to get more leeway in interrogating

"It is not possible to give them other, illegal, means. There is no such thing," Mr. Ben-Yair told "Lishka," a newspaper for attorneys. "We will not open torture chambers to replace (the gathering of) intelligence." The interview came as a

ministerial committee decided Thursday to extend for three more months a special permit for the Shin Bet to use tongb methods, including shaking, during interrogations of militants suspected of plotting attacks against Isracl.

With the special permit exteoded, ioterrogators may shake suspects only after getting authorisation from the Shin Bet chief,

The Shin Bet bas been using tougher methods over the past two years, ever since militants opposed to Israel-Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) peacemaking launched campaign of shoot-ings and suicide bombings that have killed dozens of

Earlier this year, an activist of the militant group Hamas, Abdul Samad Harizat, died in detention as a result of shaking. Mr. Ben-Yair said an investigation into Harizat's death indicated that the Shin

Bet gave misleading demonstrations of the shaking method to ministers of Israeli's previous government.

After Harizat's death, "we saw a video demonstration of the shaking and it was com-pletely different from what was outlined in the procedures," Mr. Ben-Yair said. "We concluded that this could oot be used as a routine interrogation method."

"I am not willing (to see) every Palestinian youth with a hlack beard who is detained for questioning end up braindamaged." be said.

Interrogators should only use the shaking method if they believe they might ex-tract information that could prevent "a large and very grave calamity." Mr. Ben-Yair said. Tensions between the Shin

Bet and Mr. Ben-Yair came to a bead in August when a suicide bus bombing in Jerusalem killed five, including the Hamas bomber. The Shin Bet chief later revealed that the mastermind of the bombing was in the

agency's custody two days before the blast. He complained at the time that government bad tied the hands of interrogators with too many restrictions. But Mr. Ben-Yair said in Thursday's interview that in-

terrogators had all means at their disposal and hlamed the failure to stop the attack on poor decision-making by the Shin Bet. Right-wing lawmaker Re-havam Zeevi said Mr. Ben-

Yair did not understand that the Shin Bet was in constant war against Palestinian militants.

"We forget that we are in a war and in a war you have to act as in a war and oot copy methods that are nice in Scandinavia or other democratic countries," Mr. Zeevi told Israel Radio.

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Queen chairs Near East Foundation anniversary luncheon in New York

AMMAN (J.T.) — Her Oneen Noor Thursday chaired a fundraising luncheon marking the 80th anniversary of the East Foundation (NEF) in New York, a Royal Court statement said Friday.

NEF is the oldest American private, non-profit development agency dedicated to raising the standard of living of poor rural and urban communities in the Middle East and Africa. Its innovative pro-

grammes of technical assistance and specialised training enable families and communities to increase food production, improve health conditions and create income-generating small business enterprises.

Chairman of NEF's Board of Directors David Dodge introduced Queen Noor saying that "she has played a vital role in promoting understanding and closer relations between the Arab World and America and in the current peace process," the statement

In her speech, Queen Noor, who is a member of NEF International Council, said she "represents a country and region that has and continues to benefit from NEF's efforts" and expressed her hope that this fruitful partnership will continue as "we undertake an important political, economic and social transition," the statement said.

According to the state-ment, President of Brown University Vartan Gregorian, in his keynote address, praised the NEF for its edncational efforts in the Middle East, its humanitarian assistance for refugees and for promoting the role of women in its diverse devel-

opment projects. It said Mr. Brown described the NEF as a philanthropic institution, which invests in people and societies helping them to

help themselves. NEF, which was established in Jordan in 1937 in cooperation with the Ministry of Social Development, works with local non governmental organisations on the design and implementation of communitybased credit funds for small

By assessing the scope and causes of poverty in target villages, members of grassroots institutions are able to design and manage credit programmes based on local conditions and val-

NEF also provides technical assistance in production and marketing to fish farming projects in the Jordan Valley as well as business services to women entre-preneurs at Wihdat Camp and in Aqaba.

Its research centres, conipile data on women in agriculture and on the economic role of Bedouin women. NEF offices in the Eastem Mediterranean coordinate efforts to create a

tion and expertise. Through its Cairo-based Centre for Development Services, NEF provides a wide variety of services to local development agencies throughout the region.

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Attending the benefit hunch with Queen Noor were HRH Princess Ghida Talal, member of the NEF Board of Directors Doris Halaby, Jordan's Ambassador to the United Nations Hassan Abu Ni'meh and Mrs. Abu Ni'meh, and U.S. former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, the

Crown Prince tours MENA sites before departure for London

AMMAN (J.T.) — Their Royal Highnesses Crown Prince Hassan and Princess Sarvath arrived in London Thursday evening to attend the graduation of their youngest daughter, HRH Princess Badiya, from Christchurch, Oxford University where she will obtain her bachelor degree in history.

They were seen off upon their departure hy His Majesty King Hussein, other Royal family members as well as Prime Minister Sharif Zeid Ben Shaker and government offi-

Before his departure Prince Hassan toured the centres and facilities where the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) economic conference is to be held starting Oct. 29.

The Crown Prince was briefed on the preparations and arrangments for the delegations and the media. He also inspected the operations room at the Housing Bank Centre where be listened to a briefing on the arrangements by Minister of Industry and Trade Ali Abul Ragbeh who is chairing the MENA preparations com-



According to committee sources 810 private sector delegates from different countries will participate in the event along with 490 public sector delegates.

Prince Hassan also inspected the preparations at the Sports Palace where Minister of Information Khaled Karaki outlined the arrangement made to facilitate media coverage of the conference.

He later visited Al Hussein Youth City's Palace of Culture which will be the site of the opening session of the MENA summit.

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The defendants' attorney,

Saleh Armouti, has asked

the State Security Court

that his clients be tried on

the charges of both sabo-

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in either the State Security

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Presiding Judge Hafiz Amin set Nov. 5 as the new

date for the trial to continue

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time to review both the

arguments of the state pros-

ecutor and the defence.

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'Austrian delegates to MENA will focus on railway projects'

AMMAN (Petra)— Austri-an Ambassador to Jordan Michael Stigelbauer Friday said his country will take part in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) summit beginning on Oct. 29 and will submit proposals on transport projects pri-marily involving railway construction.

In an interview with the Jordan News Agency, Petra, the ambassador said that the ministries of transport in Austria and Jordan have been in contact over recent months to explore potential cooperation in railway transportation.

Mr. Stigelbauer added that Austrian experts have been in Jordan over the past few months to discuss feasihility plans for the construction or the repair of the railways in the Kingdom. noting that the studies are being financed by the Austrian Ministry of Transportation.

The envoy said the proposals to be submitted involve laying a railway between Amman and Zarqa in response to the high demand for transportation facilities between the two

cities. He said the delegation will also submit proposals to link Amman with the Syrian border and to construct other railway sections linking the capital with destinations in the south and west of the coun-

try.
The ambassador said Austria has maintained strong ties with Jordan especially since 1977 when the two sides began cooperating in industrial, commercial, economic, cultural, and technological fields.

Earlier the ambassadors of Japan, Germany, France and the European Union met with Minister of Water and Irrigation Saleh Irsheidat and discussed projects which their countries are helping to finance in Jor-

Dr. Irsheidat outlined the priority water projects, mentioning in particular the proposed \$60 million. pipeline which would draw water from Adasieh to Deir Alla in the Jordan Valley.

ambassadors The expressed their governments' interest in financing most of the projects dis-

School counsellors express frustration with legal obstacles to helping child victims of sexual abuse

By Lola Keilani Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Sexual abuse of children, inside and ontside the bome, is a fact, say school counsellors, and what makes matters worse, they say, is that the Jordanian law as well as school regulations prevent them from protecting these young victims

At a seminar that discussed international and Jordanian laws on children's rights, 60 participatng counsellors along with three lawyers talked about cases of sexual abuse against children they have dealt with

Mohammad Maharmah. head of the Counselling Department at the Ministry of Education, said family negligence, child abuse. and incestous rape, were common cases noted hy school counsellors, but that

the present legal system makes it impossible for a counsellor to help the vicitimised child. One school counsellor, recounted a case of an 11year-old girl from an

underprivilged family, who, she said, comes to school with JD15 in her pocket daily. After investigation and meeting the child's family.

the counsellor said she found that the adolescent was involved in prostitu-"I can only inform the child's family, beyond that l have no anthority," the

counsellor said, adding

that she believed that the

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family "does not care."

By Rana Husseini

Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Under heavy

security, the trial of a 29-

year-old man, accused of

killing and cutting up the body of a man in Salt in

Angust, Thursday opened

at the Criminal Court in

According to the prosecu-

tor general's charge sheet, the suspect, Kayed Ahmad,

is accused of murdering

Mahmond Ensour in Salt

on Aug. 14 in a feud over

money. The formal charges

During a five-minute ses-

sion in a packed courtroom,

presiding Judge Abdul

Ruhman Tawfiq asked the

defendant if he had selected

an attorney to defend him.

The defendant responded

that he had not.

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man, from The Muhajreen Police Station, said that police are restricted by law and cannot take legal action as long as the parents themselves refuse to file complaints.

According to the Jordanian law only the victim has the right to file a complaint. If the victim is a minor, be or she should be accompanied by the parent to the police station. Otherwise the complaint will not be accepted.

But "if the parent is the source of abuse now car anyone complain," said lawyer Asma Khader, director of the Jordanian Women's Union (JWU) and a participant in the seminar, held at the Centre for Social Development in

Hay Nazal. An unmarried pregnant girl could be killed by a family member in a "crime of honour" although she is the victim of sexual abuse by a member of her own

family, Ms. Khader said . The sentence in such crimes is six months imprisonment, she added. The law states that a citi-

zen will be prosecuted, if he/she is witness to or aware of a crime or a felony and does not report it to the authorities. But in the case of child abuse the law has little according Ms. effect.

Khader She added that legal centres, school counsellors, and even relatives have no right to interfere if the

child is abused. "A child's right in Jordan is the family's private property," she said.

Salt murder case opens under tight security

Judge Tawfiq decided to

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Confirmed sources told

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Last October, a 22-year-

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witness as he left the Crim-

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Lawyer In'am Asha said that as a JWU counsellor she still cannot file complaints about the cases of child abuse she has

According to Ms. Asha, an 11-year- old- girl once told her that she had been sexually abused by an old

"Police said the family should file the complaint and not me," said Ms. Asha.

But the child's family refused, she said, because affect their daughter's chances of marriage. Senator Na'ela Rashdan,

another attorney participating in the seminar, said that in the cases of sexual abuse the authorities should at least put the suspect under surveillance, particularly since children are too frightened to inform their families of such abuse.

The lawyers agreed that the law on children's rights in Jordan was lacking with respect to punishment of those who violate it.

The participants plan to convene another seminar on Nov. 26 to which they will invite the secretary general of the Ministry of Education to continue the discussion of the dilemna between the law on children's rights and the problem of reporting sexual abuse.

Thursday's seminar was called for by the children who last week participated in a workshop on violence against children which was also organised by the Centre for Social Develop-

Prosecutor asks to split trial in murder-sabotage case

By Rana Husseini Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN - The prosecutor general of the State Security Court said the case of two Jordanians involved in an attack on a French diplomat in February should be tried in two separate courts.

The prosecutor general, Major Mahmoud Obeidat, Wednesday said that the attempted murder charge, of which the defendants are accused, was not within his court's jurisdiction and should be referred to the Criminal Court.

The State Security Court will try the defendants on the charge of sabotage only, Maj. Obeidat said. Salem Abdullah Jaradat

and Ahmad Qassem, both 22, are charged with shooting and wounding a French diplomat last February in



BOOK FAIR

Fifth International Book Fair at the Universal Expo Centre, University Road.

LECTURE

 "The Development of German-Arab Relations After the Oct. '73 War," (in Arabic) by Dr. Mohammad Abu Hantash at Goethe-Institut at 6:00p.m.

EXHIBITIONS

*Paintings by Janet Venn-Brown at Alia Art Gallery, First Cir-

Abstract art by Ghazi Dulaimi at the Phoenix Gallery, Gardens Street.

*Paintings by Shakir Hassan Al-Said at the French Cultural Centre. Also showing posters on Louis Pasteur's achievements in the field of science.

Education minister announces community integration programme

AMMAN (J.T.) - Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Education Abdul Raouf Rawabdeh Friday announced that the ministry is' starting an integrated programme to put the directives of HRH Crown Prince Hassan into force.

The Crown Prince had met the ministry's senior officials and educationists last week and urged them to interact directly with the local community and by conducting meetings in the governorates to help improve the educational process.

The integrated programme, according to Mr. Rawabdeh, includes a ries of executive measures which are based on the ministry's previous experiences and on consultations with local community members.

to promote the role of the students in the management of their schools and the establishment of student comminees to help the school administration carry out school plans and extracurricula activities, Mr Rawabdeb said. Ideas contained in a

working paper prepared by

The ministry has arranged

the ministry's planning committee are embodied in the new programme, he said. These call for parental interaction with the school administration in the education process, the development of the examination system and encouraging students to opt for vocational training, said the minister.

In addition, the committee stressed the need to provide appropriate housing for teachers in the remote

regions and to upgrade the qualifications of teachers, Mr. Rawabdeh said. He said it was equally important to get the students involved in useful work during summer recess, especially through Al Hussein Construction Summer Camps.

Referring to the violence in schools, the minister said that the committee has called for the immediate implementation of a programme of field visits to schools and will begin contacts between the schools and parents.

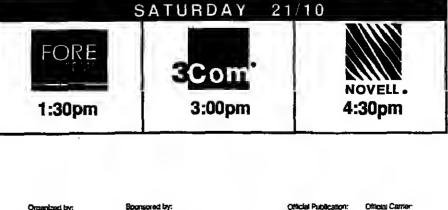
In his meeting with the ministry officials last week Prince Hassan underlined the importance of parental involvement in the educational process.

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The assailant was arrested immediately. Also on Thursday, the Criminal Court sentenced a 20-year-old man to seven years with hard labour for molesting a youth in Jabal

Jihad Mohammad was found guilty of molesting M.A., 14, last February. According to court documents, the accused was

intoxicated and lured the youth to a schoolyard in Jabal Nuzha and molested He was arrested by police two months later after stop-

ping at the youth's home while his parents were away. Mohammad threatened and tried to force the boy to come with him, the court said. But the youngster refused and started calling for help, it said. Mohammad escaped, but was apprehended an hour later hy police, the court

Sri Lanka mob backlash averted after rebel attack

Lanka extended a curfew in Colombo after Tamil Tiger guerrillas blew up two oil depots Friday to sabotage fuel supplies and stall an army push in the rehel-held north, military sources said.

At least 20 people died when the rebels, including black Tiger suicide bombers, hlew np two of Sri Lanka's three oil depots and fired on security forces,

The sources said lonters were reported to be ransacking homes abandoned near the hlaze ignited by the daring attack.

An official said troops fired into the air to prevent Sinhalese mobs from attacking Tamil residents on two different occasions near the oil installations, hlown up by Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) rebels early Friday.

The government extended the curfew in the capital until 4 a.m. Saturday (2230 GMT Friday) after it passed its midday (0630 GMT) deadline Friday, amid reports that looters were at work in homes abandoned near the blaze, they said.

DHAKA (R) — Bangladesh

began returning to normal

Friday after the country's

longest general strike, but

the opposition's leader hint-

ed further efforts to topple

Prime Minister Begum

Khaleda Zia could be more

The opposition-led strike,

which began Monday,

ended at 6 a.m. (0000

GMT) Friday, with traffic

allowed to move again on

Protesters who had camped outside their homes

through the four-day stop-

page pulled out and security

forces withdrew to their

Government officials said

each strike day costs the

country about \$15 million.

Market sources said the

price of food and other

essentials jumped at least 20 in clasbes in strike-related

barracks, witnesses said.

the nation's roads.

ing the Colombo correspondent for the British Broadcasting Corporation, were wounded in crossfire between the Tamil Tigers and security forces, witnesses said.

Military headquarters said eight soldiers, 10 air force personnel and two special task force police comman-dos were killed in the

At 3.45 p.m. (1015 GMT), the fires were still hlazing but were contained, the fire brigade said. Two huge plumes of black smoke trailed over the city.

Troops were also combing an area of jungle near the oil installations where the rebel raiding party was believed to be hiding after a police patrol came under fire, they

The government warned foreign airlines Friday that aviation fuel may be in short supply, officials said.

"I have been asked by the Ministry of Power and Energy to inform foreign airlines not to depend on fuel supplies at Colombo," Director General of Civil Aviation Upali Malalgoda

per cent during the strike.

The strike was called by

three main opposition par-

ties —the Awami League

led by Sheikh Hasina, the

Jatiya Party and the Jamaat-

E-Islami — in their continu-

ing efforts to topple Mrs.

Khaleda and force elections

under a nentral caretaker

Mrs. Hasina told her fol-

lowers late Thursday the

next moves to oust Mrs.

Khaleda could be more

fierce hut she still hoped the

prime minister would

The strike virtually crip-

pled three-fourths of the

country of 110 million,

shutting down transport,

business and other activi-

Two people were killed

and more than 500 injured

come to (her) senses".

administration.

About 25 people, includ- told Renters. "The ministry has told me that we are sbort of fuel."

Fire Chief J. Kanangara said five or six tanks at the Kolonnawa Reserve, holding diesel, kerosene and other finished products, were ablaze, but the fire

was being contained. Both depots are about six kilometres from the city centre. Nearby residents fled for their lives. -

Military sources told Reuters the aviation fuel shortage could affect air support for a major army push against the rebels in their Jaffna peninsula stronghold which began Tuesday.

The rebels, fighting for a homeland in the north and east, are currently under siege in the rebel-held northern Jaffna peninsula, attacked by an estimated 10,000 soldiers in an operation launched Tuesday.

Analaysts say the operation looks like the opening phase of a final push to defeat the LTTE, wich has long controlled the Jaffna peninsula and the city of the

The government says

The northern Rajshahi

Division was exempted

from the strike after recents

floods there claimed more

The opposition accuses

Mrs. Khaleda of by-election

fraud and sweeping corrup-

tion and says no elections

under her would be free and

They want a non-partisan

caretaker government, preferably headed by the

chief justice, to supervise

the next election, and

maybe three or four other

future polls to "institution-

alise democracy" in this

Mrs. Khaleda has rejected

Almost all opposition leg-

the demands as unconstitu-

South Asian country.

more than 50,000 people have been killed in the ethnic war which began in 1983. It resumed in April when the LTTE broke a three-month ceasefire.

Since then, the government has published a devolution plan that would give Tamils considerable autonomy over the areas they dom-

The LTTE has ignored it and officials and analysts say the military push is designed to weaken the rebels to the point they have no choice but to return 10 the negotiating table.

Military sources said more than 220 rebels had been killed and 450 wounded in heavy fighting since the army launched Operation Riviresa (Sunshine) at dawn Tuesday.

The military says 62 soldiers were killed and more than 250 wounded in the operation.

Military analysts have long feared a rebel attack in the capital to divert the armed forces' attention from the north.



A major fire rages at two oil storage facilities here as security forces cordon off the area around the two storage farms that were blown up by suspected Tamil Tiger guer-

Quebec separatist wants new

violence across the country, ber after a long boycott of parliament and demanded the government dissolve an assembly they said had lost its legitimacy.
Mrs. Khaleda has refused to dissolve parliament and

call elections, which are not due till next March. She told reporters Thursday she might announce a

package of plans to "ensure people's rights and protect them in social and political life" when she returns from New York after attending the United Nations 50th anniversary.

The prime minister leaves for New York Saturday, aides said.

Reports from outside the capital said life was normal Friday and many offices and the country's two ports were open despite the Islamic weekend. islators resigned in Decemcountry, not renewed Canada

RIVIERE-DU-LOUP. Quebec (R) - Quebec separatist leader Lucien Bouchard said Thursday a vote for separation would be a mandate to make Quebec an independent nation, not the first step in negotiating a new role within Canada.

The comments by Mr. Bouchard, the champion of Quebec independence, were his strongest suggestion yet that the Oct. 30 referendum could lead to the breakup of

The remarks were published on the same day a new opinion poll showed Quebec separatists slightly ahead of Canadian unity forces in the referendum campaign.

The Angus Reid poll released Thursday to clients of the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and investment dealer Wood Gundy Inc., and confirmed to Reuters, showed the separatists leading the federalists 51 per cent to 49 per cent.

The poll, based on interviews earlier this week with 1,000 Quebec voters, evenly divided an 11 per cent undecided factor. The separatists trailed in several polls by

6 to 10 points earlier this month, but a drive by Mr. Bouchard in the past two weeks bas apparently narrowed the gap to a virtual tie. Mr. Bouchard, an impassioned orator who heads the Bloc Quebecois, a separatist party in Canada's national parliament, is seen as the politician who can best protect Quebec

In an interview with the French-language Montreal newspaper La Presse published Thursday, Mr. Bonchard ruled ont negotiat-

ing an arrangement 10 revamp the existing federation.

Mr. Bouchard was quoted by the newspaper as saying Quebec would "refuse all propositions from English Canada to renegotiate federalism. That will be ton little.

Later, Mr. Bouchard softened his stance, saying be would use a victory in the referendum to seek changes from the rest of

"The first goal is to achieve sovereignty for what it means and to use it as a lever to hring about change in the rest of Canada," he told a news conference following a speech in the small eastern Quebec community of Riviere-Du-Loup. Quebec would declare its independence

unilaterally if Canada refused to negotiate a new economic and political union after a majority vote for sovereignty, Mr. Bouchard said.

On Wednesday, he told reporters that if Canada refused to negotiate. Ouebec could take immediate steps to declare indepen-

Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien has said he would not negotiate with Quebec and that a vote for sovereignty is a oneway ticket out of Canada.

But on Thursday Mr. Chretien suggested he would be prepared to consider consitutional discussions as long as the Quebec separatists were not in power in the

Mary Tyler Moore tried to help brother die

Simpson denies

plans to move; coy on marriage PANAMA CITY, Florida (R) - A jovial O. J. Simp-

son denied rumours he was buying a house in Florida and suggested he bad no immediate plans to marry

model Paula Barbieri. "I'm

here with my girlfriend

playing some golf and

that's all I've done," the

former football star told

reporters before playing

the game for a second day

in a row. Asked about pos-

sible wedding bells in his future. Simpson said:
"Only time will tell."

British supersonic

car makes world

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LONDON (R) - World

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Supercar he hopes will

hreak the sound harrier for

the first time next year. The

car, which looks like a mis-

sile with a minuscule cock-

pit wedged between two

massive turbo jet engines,

should be ready to start tri-

als early next year and

make its assault on the

sound harrier in the Neva-

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kph). The record now

stands at 633 mph (1,013

Richard

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NEW YORK (R) -Actress Mary Tyler Moore says in her new amobiography that she mied to help her cancer-stricken brother commit suicide by feeding him ice-cream laced with an overdose of drugs. But she said in the just-published book After All that the effort failed and her brother, John Moore, 47. lived three more months before dying peacefully in his sleep. Moore said her brother, terminally ill with kidney cancer, had stashed hundreds of painkillers in his bome. She said she masbed many of the painkillers in ice-cream and spoon-fed it to him because their taste was so

Marco Polo never went to China. new book says

LONDON (R) — Marco Polo, the Venetian traveller whose 13th century visits to China were Europe's main source of information on the Far East for hundreds of years, may have made his travel stories np. a new book says. Dr Frances Wood, head of the British Lihrary's Chinese Department, says in her book Did Marco Polo Go To China? that Polo never went near to China and that his famous accounts of journeys in the Far East were false, Friday's Times newspaper said. Despite claiming to have spent 17 years in China, Polo failed to record sights and experiences that would have struck a visitor of the time, Dr. Wood said.

U.S. jury makes Eastwood's day

LOS ANGELES (R) - A

U.S. jury made actor Clint Eastwood's day, awarding him \$150,000 in a case against the tabloid National Enquirer. The jury found the sensationalist newspaper printed an "exclusive interview" with the gunslinging movie star that never took place. Eastwood claimed the so-called interview, printed in a Dec. 21, 1993, edition and emblazoned across the front page with the headline, "Duty Harry lifts the lid on his private life", was

Seoul starts probe into ex-president's finances Sam issued an emergency SEOUL (R) — South Kore- ments in parliament which groups demanded a thor-

Bangladesh strike ends with hints of more chaos

police said.

than 400 lives.

an Prime Minister Lee he said proved that military-Hong-Koo announced Friday an investigation into illegally holding 400 billion allegations that former President Roh Tae-Won had amassed hundreds of millions of dollars during his term in office.

"The government will conduct an investigation to clear citizens' suspicions. The probe will begin immediately," Mr. Lee's spokesman quoted him as denied the allegations. telling the National Assem-

He said the decision was reached at a meeting of top ministers Thursday.

On the same day, opposition lawmaker Park Kye-Dong brandished docu-

backed President Roh was won (\$522 million) of slush funds in 40 false or borrowed-name bank accounts.

Saying his information came from commercial bankers, and individuals who had lent Mr. Roh their accounts, be demanded an immediate investigation. Mr. Roh's office has

An investigation hy government prosecutors into similar allegations in Angust uncovered no evidence, but opposition parties dismissed the probe as a

whitewash. On Friday, opposition

ongh investigation to clear up all suspicions.

one is sure there is no slush fund. The investigation must be thorough this time," said an official at the main opposition National Congress for New Politics. The latest allegations sent

the stock market slumping Thursday and Friday.

The fear is that an official investigation could flush out hage sums of hlack money used to play the markets. Individuals holding financial assets under false or borrowed names are subject to fines of 30 per cent of the assets. President Kim Young-

decree in 1993 outlawing false-name accounts as part "It is important that everyof his drive against corruption and tax evasion.

Shares in the Sunkyong group 78230.ks affiliate companies and Dong Bang corp 16500.ks, businesses whose chairmen are linked by marriage to Mr. Rob, were among the biggest

> South Korea is going through a painful period of transition from militarybacked rule to democracy and dirty secrets of the past

have been a hidden part of

are coming into the open. Sinsh funds topped np by contributions from big business are widely thought to

SPD set for mauling in Berlin election

BERLIN (R) — Germany's and national level — a far ner to the CDU. opposition Social Democrats (SPD) look set to reap the fallout of months of party stronghold. internal hickering with a disastrous result in a state Scharping put on a brave election this Sunday in the once divided city of Berlin.

A poil by Infratest Burke Berlin had the SPD diving to just 25 per cent from the 30 per cent it won in the 1990 election --- scarcely a challenge to Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian radio: "I have no donbt, and Democrats (CDU), who were set to poli around 40 per cent.

"The political atmosphere is shaped by a drastic decline in support for the SPD. It has lost five per cent in the last month alone." said the Berlin daily Der Tagesspiegel.

A poor election result in the new capital, due to bouse the German parliament by the year 2000. would deal an emotional blow to the party on local role of junior coalition part-

cry from the cold war years when West Berlin was a SPD leader Rudolf

face and dismissed speculation that a bad result could fan a smouldering row over his leadership and create pressure for him to resign.

Asked if he would still be leading the SPD after the election, be told German I cannot imagine that anyone could have doubts about this."

Before and after the fall of the Berlin wall in 1989, the SPD governed West Berlin in partnership with the environmentalist Greens.

But since the post-miffication election in 1990, which created a single city parliament and put an end to 50 years of divided city government, the SPD has failed to show much profile in the

Now the leadership row in Bonn has emerged to make matters worse, and even SPD supporters in Berlin say their candidate for mayor, Ingrid Stahmer, lacks the pulling-power to do much about it.

Mr. Kohl's junior coalition partner in Bonn, the liberal Free Democrats (FDP), are also bracing themselves for a further election defeat after crashing out of parliaments in 11 state elections and a European election in the past two years.

The survey said the FDP were set to win a dismal 3.5 per cent in Berlin, halving their 1990 result and failing to clear the five per cent threshold needed to re-enter the assembly.

Such an embarrassing loss for the FDP in unified Germany's capital could undermine the position of Guenter Rexrodt, party chairman in Berlin, as eco-

nomics minister in the Bonn cabinet The election looks unlike-

ly to change the present political line-up in Berlin and return a grand coalition of CDU in partnership with SPD led by a CDU mayor. The battle for third place

will be between the Greens. whom Infratest Burke put at 14 per cent, and the East German reform communist Party of Democratic Socialism (PDS). The parties won nine per cent each in the last election.

The pollster gave the PDS whose performance is often seen as a barometer for discontent in the east -12.5 per cent, maintaining its level of support reached in the 1990 election.

While it could win around one-third of the vote in former Communist East Berlin, it is set to score just two per cent in the West.

Rao gets good news before election NEW DELHI, India (AP) - With elections just a few elected party.

months away, Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao is getting his first good news in a long time. Mr. Rao's Congress Party has been sliding in popular-

ity for the last two years. It lost a series of key state elections; influential leaders broke away, charging-corruption and misrule; and public dissent rose over Mr. Rao's economic reforms. which seemed to benefit the middle class but not the

Pundits had virtually written off Mr. Rao's chances of reelection next year. Most predicted a standoff with Congress' chief rival, the Hindu nationalist Bharativa Janata Party, or BJP.

Now, Mr. Rao is watching his political enemies being stricken with troubles similar to his own.

On Tuesday, the chief executive of Uttar Pradesh. India's largest and most politically powerful state, resigned when her coalition unraveled after only four months.

Mayawati, who uses only one name, led a small party that appealed to low-caste Hindus. It governed on the strength of its alliance with the BJP.

The day after she quit, Mr. Rao's government imposed federal rule on the state, giving executive powers to a New Delhi-appointed governor rather than any Earlier this month, a con-

test for power rocked the BJP government in the western industrial state of Gujarat and nearly split the party. The quarreling demolished the BJP's reputation as a highly disciplined, cohesive party one of its main selling points to the voter.

In Angust, the populist government of Andhra Pradesh — Mr. Rao's home state where Congress was humbled in an election last year — collapsed because of a family feud. The chief minister's sons-in-law ousted him, claiming that his second wife was meddling in official affairs.

"Given the present state of disarray in opposition parties, the mess in Mr. Rao's own hack yard suddenly does not seem so intractable as before," wrote political analyst Ajoy Bose in the Pioneer Daily.

The disintegration of the Uttar Pradesh alliance set back the BJP's effort to build credibility with lowcaste workers and farmers, and to shuck off its image as a party of husinessmen and Brahmins, the highest caste.

Despite India's efforts to dismantle caste harriers, the ancient social hierarchy of Hinduism remains a potent force in politics.

For years, the Congress Party was considered the

leged, giving it a monopoly on power in the populous and poor northern states.

Then the lower castes. along with many Muslims. ahandoned Congress for new parties led hy people of humble origin, like Ms. Mayawati's Bahujan Samaj Party.

Ms. Mayawati, a 39-yearold former school teacher, was the first chief minister from the lowest level in the caste system, the untouchables.

But sbe stretched the BJP's patience when she shifted senior hureaucrats from their johs and replaced them with officials from low-caste hackgrounds. Some reports suggest that

her split with the BJP opens the way for a potential alliance with Congress. which could reestablish its credentials with a crucial hlock of voters. While Congress may

draw some comfort from the travails of its rivals, "There is no reason for it to gloat," cautioned the Calcutta-based Statesman newspaper in an editorial.

"The unprincipled machinations over the last few months are not going to benefit any party, and may even lead to a general disenchantment with the polisical process as a whole,"



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Ivory Coast soldiers beat a man suspected of looting a pharmacy in Gagnoa a city 230 kilometres west of Abidjan. Opposition members erected barricades blocking the road and looted stores in protest against the upcoming elections (AFP photo)

Ivorian army stands by to halt election violence

YAMOUSSOUKRO, Ivory Coast (R) - Ivory Coast's army stood ready Friday to help prevent fresh political violence before and during Sunday's presidential election, which the main oppostatement addressed to both

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sition has vowed to disrupt. Defence Minister Leon Konan Koffi said on state radio and televisioo that President Henri Konan Bedie, one of two candidates contesting the poll, bad decided political unrest that has killed at least eight people must stop.

Government sources said troops were standing by to deploy and enable polling in flashpoints in the key cocoa-growing south west, where the opposition has its traditional power-base.

Religious leaders, meanwhile, urged all sides to step back and avoid any action that would escalate the country's worst electoral crisis since independence from France in 1960.

strongest, to satisfy personal appetites to conquer or consolidate power. Abidjan Archbisbop Bernard Agre said on state television and radio in a

the opposition and the authorities. Opposition chief Laurent Ghagbo, leading light in the campaign that brought multi-party politics to Ivory Coast in 1990, accuses the government of trying to rig Sunday's vote, "We have given orders for maximum

Thursday. Mr. Konan Koffi delivered the government

he

disruption,"

The head of state has decided to put an end to the disorder by all means possible under the existing statutes." he said in a statement after Mr. Bedie met his army and security chiefs. "All the armed "War is not inevitable..." forces in addition to the God says thou shalt not kill, National Geodarmerie will

neither the weakest nor the be more closely involved in timely actions to maintain

> Ivory Coast, the world's top cocoa producer and a country with a reputation for stability in a troubled contineot, bolds its second multi-party presidential election Sunday followed by general and municipal elections in November and December.

> An opposition alliance says Mr. Bedie, who is keen to attract foreign investment to Ivory Coast, and his ruling Democratic Party have manipulated election rules to ensure victory.

> In talks after five people died in Oct. 2 clashes between protesters and security forces, the opposition dropped a demand for withdrawal of a disputed new electoral code.

> But Monday it ordered its militants to defy a threemonth government ban on street protests once again to secure postponement of Sunday's poll and a revision

of voter lists.

stand.

Mr. Bedie's opponeos in Sunday's poll is law lecturer Francis Wodie of the small Ivorian Workers Party, who broke ranks with his opposition allies to

Mr. Bedie wraps up his campaign one day early Friday in Yamoussoukro, birthplace of the nation's founding President Felix Houphouet-Boigny, whose mantle he is keen to assume.

Mr. Houphouet-Boigny defeated Mr. Gbagbo in Ivory Coast's disputed first multi-party presidential poll

He was succeeded oo his death in 1993 by Mr. Bedie in his then capacity as speaker of parliament, said Thursday's before : annonocement he was prepared to meet the opposition leaders provided they halted the protests.

He had left Saturday clear as a window of opportunity.

Yeltsin abruptly reverses decision to sack Kozyrev

dramatic about-turn before summit talks in Paris. Russian President Boris Yeltsin said Friday Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev would remain in office, only a day after announcing he would sack him.

Mr. Yeltsin told an impromptu press conference before he got on the plane here that Mr. Kozyrev

is staying in office."
Mr. Kozyrev learnt that he would keep his post only minutes before leaving Moscow with Mr. Yeltsin for meetings with French President Jacques Chirac and later with U.S. President Bill Clinton.

"What is (andrei) kozyrev's problem? He is always travelling and cannot handle the ministry's business. What Kozyrev needs is a man (deputy) who will take care of the workings of the ministry. We need to find him a deputy," Mr. Yeltsin told reporters at Moscow's Vnukovo-2 Airport.

Mr. Kozyrev, visibly nervous while waiting for Mr. Yeltsin to finish his brief comments to the press, appeared relieved after the president's change of mind.

"The choice of such a deputy will ensure discipline and order," Mr. Yeltsin said. "I will help him in this, we are leaving together on the same plane,"

Thursday he intended sacking Mr. Kozyrev in a move widely seen as appeasing nationalists who considered the 44-year-old minister as ton pro-Western.

Mr. Yeltsin had told jouroalists that Mr. Kozyrev would be replaced as soon as possible. First of all it is necessary to choose an adequate candidate," he said. But my decision has been taken.'

However, Mr. Yeltsin's press service said it had not been informed of any move to sack Mr. Kozyrev, and no decree had been signed to that effect. The Foreign Ministry said it had not heard of the decision either. Washington gave a guard-

ed response to Mr. Yeltsin's

remarks Thursday. "Whatever the outcome of an internal decision by the Russian Federation to appoint a cabinet minister. we would expect to continue our close working relationship with the Russian Federatioo and to cootinue to enjoy a good working

Michael McCurry said. Officials in Londoo. Paris and Bonn refused to comment on the fate of Mr.

relationship with the

Russian foreign minister,"

White House spokesman

Mr. Yeltsin's abrupt

Andrei Kozyrev

beeo prompted hy a desire not to complicate Russia's already tense relations with the United States ahead of the mini-summit with Mr. Clinton set for Monday.

Differences over NATO's plans to expand eastwards and Russia's role io a peacekeeping force for Bosnia-Herzegovina have cast a pall over the summit.

Mr. Yeltsin's comments about finding a replacement for Mr. Kozyrev may also have been intended as a warning to the minister, who is hated by Russian nationalists and communists — groups which are expected to score well in the Dec. 17 parliamentary elec-

On Sept. 6, the Duma, change of mind could have Russia's lower house of par-

liament, had called for Mr. Kozyrev's resignation for the "humiliating failure of Russian diplomacy in the Balkans."

In a further hardening of Moscow's stance towards the West, Mr. Yeltsin Wednesday accused NATO of wanting in statinn nuclear arms in Eastern Europe as part of its expansion, and said such a move would be "madness."

Despite the iocongruity of Mr. Kozyrev's dovish image amid the current pressure from hardliners, he is the longest-serving of Mr. Yeltsin's ministers and has shown the president loyal support since his appointmeot in 1990.

Mr. Kozyrev ininated the accords signed at the end of 1991 which dismantled the Soviet Union and thereby boosted Mr. Yeltsin's authority in post-Soviet Russia.

In late 1994 Mr. Kozyrev left the Russia's Choice reform bloc after it criticised Mr. Yeltsin's decision to pour troops into breakaway Cbechenya, and he stoutly defended the president's policy amid worldwide condemnatioo.

Mr. Kozyrev was the architect of Russia's policy of close cooperation with the United States.

Non-aligned summit dimmed by Castro departure

CARTAGENA, Colombia Ibero-American summit, Secretary-general Bontros es and meetings. The gap (R) — Cuba's President had looked pale and fired as Ghali. Fidel Castro unexpectedly left early from the Non-Aligned Movement summit in Colombia Thursday, robbing the meeting of one of its leading figures before it issued a final declaration.

The 69-year-old Cuhan leader, a founder of the nonaligned group, flew ont of the port city of Cartagena. the summit venue, at around 2 p.m. (1900 GMT), beading for Cuba, airport officials said.

No reason was given for his early departure from the summit, which was due to close Friday morning with the approval of a final declaration setting out the goals of the 113-member movement over the next three

Mr. Castro, who had flown to Cartagena Tuesday from Argentina where he

he sat through several hours of speeches Wednesday by non-aligned heads of state and government. Just before leaving Thursday, be spoke briefly to Colombian reporters, his voice noticably hoarse.

He had addressed the summit Wednesday, after his speech was brought forward from its originally scheduled time of Thursday. In a brief six-minute speech, commended by the summit chairman for its brevity, the Cuban president called for radical reforms of the United Nations, especially its Security Council.

Mr. Castro was one of several heads of delegation, from both member and guest nations, who left early Thursday. Leaders from Nicaragua, Kuwait, South Africa and Russia also

The 11th Non-Aligned

Movement summit had already been a low-key meeting, coming at a time when many observers were questioning the relevance of the movement following the eod of the East-West conflict. The early departure of several leaders seemed bound to dim even further the end of the summit, hosted by Colombian President Ernesto Samper. But Colombian officials

said the proximity of the meeting to the coming U.N. 50th anniversary commemoration that starts Sunday had put pressure on the schedules of non-aligned leaders. Around 30 heads of state, fewer than in previous summits, had travelled to Cartagena.

The United Nations came under strong criticism dur-

north and underdeveloped or developing south has been a constant theme in speeches by representatives from the 113 countries — a majority of the U.N.'s 185 members - attending the Cartagena summit.

The speeches, by everyone from non-aligned stalwarts like Cuba's Castro to Philippine President Fidel Ramos, a close U.S. ally, have referred specifically to the thorny issue of expanding the 15-nation Security Council.

The council's five permanent members - the United States, Russia, Britain, China and France - are the main World War II victors. But they do not include such economic giants as Germany and Japan. And developing countries also want a greater voice in the

Buchanan attacks Powell, says free ride is over Gov. Lamar Alexander with his support of abortion

WASHINGTON (R) — Retired Gen. Colin Powell's free political ride may be over after conservative commentator Pat Bnchanan Thursday became the first Republican · presidential candidate to take the gloves off and launch a bareknuckle attack on the popular ex-soldier.

"I will challenge General Powell from day one because if Powell were nominated as a Republican, that would be a triumph for the politics of opportunism." Mr. Buchanan told Reuters in an interview. "It would be an abandonment of the politics of conviction, and I'm going to stop it single-handedly."

For the past month, Gen. Powell has been travelling the country promoting his autobiography and his

standing in public opinion polls has soared. He said Thursday be would be ready to decide in about two weeks whether to run for the Republican nomination or seek the presidency as an independent. A new poll Thursday

showed Gen, Powell with a nine-point lead over Senate majority leader Bob Dole among Repoblicans in the key state of New Hampshire. The poll, conducted by the American research group, showed that 30 per cent of Republicans would support Gen. Powell if he ran in the New Hampshire primary, the first of the 1996 campaign. scheduled for Feb. 20.

Sen. Dole was second with 21 per cent, followed by Mr. Buchanan with seven, former Tennessee

four and Seoators Phil Gramm of Texas and Richard Lugar of Indiana with two per cent each. Polister Dick Bennett said the poll showed how vul-

nerable Seo. Dole was to a challenge from Gen. Powell, the first black to serve as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the man who masterminded the 1991 U.S. military triumph Party. over Iraq.
"Powell running in New Hampshire could strip away

one third of Dole's support among Republicans," Mr. Bennett said. Polls published Thursday

in Kentucky and Maryland showed a similar burst of support for Gen. Powell.

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rights and gun control and his opposition to school prayer, Republican presidential candidates have avoided criticising bim. Sen. Dole has even spo-

ken of Gen. Powell as a possible vice presidential choice. But Mr. Buchanan said a Powell candidacy would be a battle for the soul of the Republican

"No one has criticised Colin Powell or taken issue with him. He's gotten a free ride. That ends the day he gets ioto this race," be said.

Mr. Buchanan said the sole reason for conservatives to support Gen. Powell was his standing in the polls, hut he said Gen. Powell would split the party have expressed opposition in two if he were nominat-

ing the two days of speechdeparted, as did U.N. top U.N. security body. had attended a two-day Chechens, Russians set to resume talks

GROZNY, Russia (AFP) ---Russian and Chechen negotiators are to resume peace talks "in two or three days," officials on both sides said Friday, nearly two weeks after they were suspended

amid mounting violence. "In two or three days, the commission on implementing the disarmament accord will resume its work," said Akhmed Zakayev, culture minister for the separatist Chechen government and one of the Chechen negotia-

He was speaking after meeting General Viktor Vlasenkov, deputy commander of federal troops in the breakaway Caucasus Republic, who told him overall Russian commander General Anatoly Shkirko was ready to resume talks. Moscow suspended negoliations on Oct. 9 after an Pattack which seriously injured General Anatoly Romanov, Gen. Shkirko's medecessor, and the bombardment of Checben vil-

lages which left dozens Talks oo implementing a July 30 accord on disarma-

ment had been advancing painfully slowly even before they were suspend-

agreement was The designed to end bitter fighting in Chechenya since Russian troops marched into the Caucasus Republic in December to quell a three-year-old independence drive. Up to 30,000 people are thought to have been killed.

Meanwhile a Chechen senaratist spokesman said friday Russian helicopter gunships raided two Chechen villages southeast of the capital Grozny causmg civilian casualties.

Movladi Udugov, information minister in the breakaway Chechen government, told Moscow Echo Radio that up to eight helicopters backed by artillery and tanks late Thursday attacked the villages of Serzhen Yurt and Beni Khutor, some 40 kilometres from Grozny. He did

not give a casnalty toll. Meanwhile, the Russian military command in Chechenya, quoted by Interfax News Agency, said separatists attacked Rossian military convoy in Serzhen Yurt, killing one soldier and wounding another.

The Interior Ministry did not report any air raids. Rossia's chief peace Nationalities negotiator. Vyacheslav Minister Mikhailov, left Moscow for Grozny Friday, Interfax quoted officials in his ministry as saying.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin, declaring Chechenya the biggest disappointmeot of his presidency. threw his weight behind the peace process Thursday amid a split in the government and rising tension in

the region. "So many have been killed there. This is the biggest disappointment of my entire presidency," Mr. Yeltsin told reporters in the Kremlin before a visit to the United States. "The main thing is to

talks and a settlemeot," he Mr. Yeltsin said he did not regret the decision to send in troops last December to said.

influence the peace process.

crush Chechenya's independence bid and bring to heel "real professional bandits". Thousands have been killed since then and many more have fled the fighting.

As Mr. Yeltsin spoke, a rift became clear between Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin and Defence Minister Pavel Grachev.

The hawkish Grachev, speaking at a cabinet meeting, criticised the effectiveness of negotiations, saying they had led to the start of "active military operations" by rebel groups, Interfax News Agency said.

The minister warned that Russian forces might go back to active combat. But he was interrupted by Mr. Chemomyrdin, who initiated the peace talks in June. "At no point should the

war in Chechenya be allowed to resume. Everything possible should he done to ensure a settlement by peaceful political means," Mr. Chernomyrdin Despite setback, Dole says bid to starve Cuba not over WASHINGTON (AP) - A Bob Dole said his opponeots Democratic

Senate-approved Cuba sanctions bill is far too weak, to suit many Republicans, who still barbour hopes of dealing a knockout blow against Cuba with the belip of House allies.

A much tougher Housepassed version seeks to dry up foreign investment in Cuba. Senate Republicans, forced to drop a similar provisioo for lack of votes, are seeking relief when the bill goes to conference with the House of Representatives to reconcile differences in the

Final passage of the somewhat emasculated Senate sanctions bill Thursday on a 74-24 vote. and Senate majority leader should not be smug.

"I am confident the House-Senate conference will be able to find a way to prevent Fidel Castro from using foreign investment to prolong his tyranny," be

"That is the issue. Do we

want to allow the hemi-

sphere's last dictator to replace his lost aid from the Soviet empire with Western investment?". But Sen. Christopher Dodd, a Connecticut Democrat, bas said any attempt to resurrect the deleted provisioo will be

met by a hail of oppositioo came every step of the way."

Under the House version. potential investors would United States. It also seeks

because they would oot be assured of legal title to any property they intended to acquire. The bill would allow U.S. residents who lost property to confiscation three decades ago to lay claim to it in U.S. courts. Opponents of the provi-

sion argued that it would produce hundreds of thousands of law suits, overwhelming federal courts and costing taxpayers billioos of dollars in court costs. It was streouously opposed by the Chaton administration.

The Seoate bill approved Thursday would ensure that a country that boys Cuban sugar and molasses does not resell either product to the to reduce aid to Russia by \$200 millioo — the same amount · Russia reportedly pays Cuba to rent an electronic intelligence gatheriog facility on the island.

President Bill Clinton could waive the requirement if he deems it in the national interest.

The legislation, sponsored by Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Jesse Helms, also directs the administratioo to try to block Cuba from becoming a member of international

financial institutions. In addition, it requires the administratioo to seek a worldwide embargo against Cuba at the United Nations.

Major challenge faces U.N. — keeping politicians quiet

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Achieving world peace may be easier than the task facing organisers of the United Nations' 50th festivities: anniversary Getting all the more than 180 world leaders to keep their speeches to five min-

otes or less. Leaders of countries ranging from heavies such as the United States, Russia and China down to tiny San Marino are to address the U.N. General Assembly over three days starting

Sunday. Speakers include President Bill Clinton, Cuban President Fidel Castro, French President Jacques Chirac and PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat. The speeches are limited to five minutes.

General Assembly speeches have been averaging about 20 minutes during recent sessions. During the anniversary ceremonies, speakers will face a small lamp which turns amber after 4 1/2 minutes and red

when time's up.
For many leaders of lesser-known countries such as Guinea-Bissau, Vanuatu and Cape Verde, the speeches provide a rare opportunity to stand before a major international gathering.

But U.N. officials want to make sure that no ooe gets carried away. General Assembly Pre-

sident Diogo Freitas Do Amaral of Portugal warned Wednesday that be would pull the plug on anyone wbo ran over the allotted time.

"If each spoke for seven minutes instead of five, we would have an extra 6 1/2 hours of speeches," Mr. Freitas Do Amaral told a sparsely attended General

Assembly session. Mr. Freitas Do Amaral has been circulating memos to U.N. missions advising

them of the time limit. Limiting remarks to five minutes could be a new experience for some of the more loquacious world

leaders. Mr. Castro, who is scheduled 10 speak Sunday, rambled on for 4 1/2 hours when he first addressed the Geoeral Assembly in 1960. During his last U.N. speech in 1979, he trimmed his

remarks to 2 bours. U.N. officials hope Presi-

dent Clintoo, the leadoff speaker, will set the tone for brevity by snicking to the

limit But brevity has not been a ballmark of the Clinton orainrical style. During a 1988 .Democratic convection speech nominating Michael Dukakis for president, Mr. Clinton spoke for 35 minutes - more than twice the

allotted time. Delegates shouted "wrap it up" and saved their loudest cheer when he began, "in closing ..."

"If Clintoo doesn't go over the limit, we think the others will keep to it," said one U.N. official on condininn of anonymity. "But if he goes over, we're afraid the others will too."

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U.N. for all seasons

THE GOLDEN Jubilee of the United Nations (U.N.) which the world leaders are about to celebrate is an auspicious occasion to take stock of its achievements, failings and, above all, the old premises of which it was established. The international organisation was founded 50 years ago by the victors of World War II basically to reflect the "new international order." at the time. Those were the years when Japan and Germany were the primary losers, and the U.N. Charter came to give expression to that reality. Then was also the era of colonialism when most of the developing world was under direct or indirect colonial rule of major international powers. There was not only a dangerous gap between the South and North in that period but also a direct and brazen exploitation of the

wealth and resources of the poor countries.

Five decades after, these old realities have been replaced by a set of new regional and international conditions that practically wiped out the 1945 global picture. That is why the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the U.N. must not be confined to joyful festivities but should include a thorough sonl-searching exercise that aims to pnt the international organisation on a new path that gives expression to the contemporary global

There are already voices calling for the expansion of the U.N. Security Council with a view to giving Tokyo and Bonn permanent seats. The Non-Aligned 'Movement is also on record as demanding such a place for the member states. No doubt this would mean according an African, Asian and a Latin American country permanent seats on the council to represent the three major regions of the movement. Yet there is much more to be done than mere enlargement of some of the U.N. major bodies. The entire charter must be up for review in order to incorporate into it the experiences of the past five decades. Surely after so many years, the organisation is due to amend its ways and methods of work including its decision-making processes.

In this vein, we believe that the ongoing efforts to make the composition of the Security Council more democratically representative of the international community must coincide with making processes also more democratic.

In addition, and in spite of all the talk about the negative features of the U.N. bureaucracy and how it is bloated and run by nepotism and favouritism, not much has been done so far to change the image of the international body. We hope, therefore, that the world leaders who will assemble for the commemoration of the U.N.'s anniversary will take time to examine new thoughts to make the U.N. that much more viable, cost-effective and simply effective.

ARABIC PRESS COMMENTARIES

A WRITER in Al Ra'i discussed the status of the Arab League in the Arab World, expressing the view that this institution is going through a slow process of demise largely due to the actions of the Arab member countries and the failures of its secretary general. Mahmond Rimawi said that the Arab League which has been suffering from political bankruptcy over the past decade, is now financially bankrupt because the Arab countries have failed to honour their financial commitments to its agencies. Indeed, many voices were raised recently wondering about the continued existence of such institution, whose members often proved to be working against their own interests, he continued. The league is a liability rather than an asset to the Arab World. Arab people were thus not surprised when they recently heard the Israeli foreign minister suggesting that the Arab League be transformed into a Middle East institution encompassing Israel along with the other Arab and non Arah states in the region, according to the writer. He said the Arab League secretary general, who is supposed to steer the destiny of this institution, has regrettably failed to take prompt action to ensure its revival or even to openly declare the realities and the facts about the situation so as to urge Arab states to act and save the Arab League from a shameful fate.

ATTACKING ISRAEL for bolding on to its occupation in southern Lebanon, a writer in Al Ra'i daily said that it is this occupation that is causing so much tension in the whole region and endangering the peace process. Yousef Damra said that as long as Israel insists on occupying part of Lebanon, it will inevitably continue to face resistance activity from the Lebanese people, who seek to liberate their lands. No matter bow brutal its actions and its raids on the Lebanese civilians might be, Israel will continue to face attacks until its troops leave Lebanese territory, he stressed. Israel is wrong to believe that through its raids on southern Lebanon, it will force Syria to come to the negotiating table and accept Israeli terms. Israel

wrong to compare its occupation of Lebanese lands to the Syrian presence in the country, said the writer. He said Syrian troops came to Lebanon upon the request of the Beirut government.

By Dr. Musa Keilani Jordan will not let down its people

THE JORDANIAN move to extend the validity of the land where they have set up bomes is another resounding two-year "travel" documents issued to residents of the West Bank by three years, coupled with the assurance given to residents of refugee camps that they would not be

evicted despite a court ruling, comes as a watershed for many Palestinians who are confused and in despair over their lack of control over the events taking place in the Middle East peace process.

For one thing, extending the validity of the travel documents — which do not grant cirlzenship rights — means a dramatic reduction in the red tape and bureaucracy involved in renewing the documents at the end of every two years. For another, the five-year validity of the document is an indirect facilitation of the issuance of foreign visas to the holders (it was not secret that many embassies refused point hlank to issue visas to holders of the twoyear documents).

The extension of the validity of the passports should actually allow many Palestinians to take up employment outside - an opportunity that was largely denied when

they held the limited two-year documents.

Apart from the technical aspects, the philosophy behind the Jordanian decision is simple and clear. The Kingdom is living up to the pledge that it stands ready to extend whatever help it could to the Palestinian residents of the West Bank. Nothing more, nothing lcss.

An indirect hut forceful impact of the Jordanian decision is an element of comfort to the Palestinians living in the West Bank and complements the moves of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) to expand autonomy ahead of final status negotiations. PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat should be gratified over this element of comfort to his constituency at a time when he needed every iota of assurance that he could extend to his people.

His Majesty King Hussein's public assurance to the residents of Palestinian refugee camps that they need not worry about the legal wrangle over the ownership of the

echo of the Jordanian commitment to help the

There could be many ways of reading the development, but for us in Jordan it means only one thing: Another cornerstone in Jordan's efforts to consolidate the concept of the one Jordanian-Palestinian family and advance a unified national approach to the fast-moving events in the region in the wake of the breakthroughs in the Middle East

Jordan needs the combined effort of every citizen in the country to realise the full economic and political potential of the opportunities that peace has offered to the region. It is totally unacceptable that a major segment of the Jordanian society is suddenly exposed to an eventuality that threatens their living while the country is on the fast track, hopefully, towards addressing the problems of poverty and unemployment and an uplifting of the standard of living for all its people.

The so-called expert observers of the Middle East scene. would be shortsighted to interpret the latest Jordanian moves as warranted by unexpected developments. If anything, they should take into consideration Jordan's established track record since its inception of being a safe haven for every Arah and appreciate that the decision to extend the validity of the temporary passports and to undertake whatever is needed to resolve the problem of the camps is very much in line with the Kingdom's policies.

His Majesty said as much — although not in so many words — when he expressed dismay over the alarm voiced by the residents of the camps following the court ruling that the owners of the land where the camps are built have the right to claim the land. What the King implied was that every citizen of this country should have known that the leadership here would not let down its people, whether in terms of land or civil rights or anything else.

Arab reconciliation prerequisite for Gulf security, prosperity

Reviewed By Elia Nasrallah

THE LOCAL Arabic press last week focussed on the situation in Iraq, the question of passports for the Palestinians, and the controversy over refugee camps. as well as other domestic affairs.

A call by the president of the United Arab Emirates. Sheikh Zayed Ben Sultan, for the lifting of sanctions on Iraq was addressed by a number of columnists who lauded the Arab leader's courage. According to interests remain in danger as long as Sultan Al Hattab in Al Ra'i, Sheikh the Arab states remain in disarray. If Zayed's call opens the door for Arab the Gulf states, which were involved states to embark on reconciliation in the Gulf crisis, are themselves callefforts and to help save the Iraqi peo-ple from their suffering. Sheikh Zayed's call should receive positive other Arab countries ought to respond response from the other Arab leaders, whose countries are in disarray following the Gulf crisis he said. The writer said that the Arab leader's call marks the start of a new policy on the part of the Gulf states, which, he said, can take the lead in ending Arab differences and save their 18 million

kinsmen from their ordeal. Mohammad Subeihi, a columnist in Al Dustour praised Sheikh Zayed for his courageous stand and said the Arab leader has no doubt realised that Palestinian lands and rights, said

security for the Gulf states can only be guar-anteed through a gener-al Arab reconciliation. Keeping the Arab peo-

ple of Iraq facing starvation means planting time bomhs and mines that Mohammad Daoud. Furthermore, could blow off any time, he said. The writer said all the Arab masses are now awaiting a positive step from the Gulf states and hope that these states will open a dialogue with Iraq to pave the way for a new Arab order and open a new chapter in inter-Arab relations based on mutual respect and non interference in other countries internal affairs.

Echoing the praise for Sheikh Zayed was Tareq Masarweh in Al Ra'i, who said that the 18 million Iraqis should not be left to face death through starvation and sickness. Predicting that Iraq will witness developments after the referendum on President Saddam Hussein's new mandate in power, the writer expressed belief that this referendum will be followed by democratic steps like political pluralism, political parties and free expression. He said that Arah leaders should give support to the Iragis and their unity and territorial integrity and do what they can to prevent the disintegration of Iraq. Hussein Abu Orabi, a writer in Al

Dustour, thanked Sheikh Zayed for his call to save the Iraqis from starvation. He said that the Arah League sbould take the lead in opening dialogues between Iraq and the Gulf states with the purpose of ending any lingering differences and suspicions.

It is more important to protect the Arab Nation's interests than comply with resolutions from the United Nations, which seeks to protect the Western nations' interests alone, said the writer. Why should the Arab states align themselves behind the West when their own interests and their Arab order are in jeopardy, asked the writer. Iraq, he said, is an Arah country and therefore a solution

for its problems should come from the Arab countries themselves.

Abdullah Al Qaq, a writer in Al Dustour, praised the Emir of Bahrain. Sheikh Issa Ben Salman Al Khalifeh, for his call to convene an Arab summit designed to unify Arab countries position vis-a-vis the Middle East question and for ending differences with Iraq. The Emir of Bahrain's call. coming simultaneously with the call by Sheikh Zayed to end the sanctions on Iraq, reflect the fact that the Arab Gulf states have realised that their favourably to the call, he added.

Describing as very wise a step taken by the government to allow all Palestinians to retain their passports with five year validity instead of two, a writer in Al Dustour said that the announcement brought reassurance to the Palestinians at a time when the Palestine question is passing through a transitional period during which the Palestine National Authority is trying to ensure the restoration of

THE WEEK IN PRINT

government reassurances that the

refugees will not be deprived of their

homes in the camps and that mea-

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end to the rumours concerning the

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Barhuma said that the government can and should make sure that the

refugees remain in their present

camps until at least the whole refugee

problem bas been solved in the final

stage at the negotiations between the

Arab states, which host the refugees,

and the Palestine National Authority

on the one hand and Israel on the

other. The writer urged the govern-ment to take responsibility for the

refugees and find a compromise

solution for the this problem, taking

the rights of all parties into consider-

Al Dustour daily strongly criticised

the U.S. Republican Party for its cur-

rent drive to move the American

embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to

Jerusalem. It is clear that such a

move would offend the feelings of

millions of Muslims and jeopardise

the peace process but it is regrettable

to see the Arab and Muslim states

remaining silent over these moves.

The paper said that it is also clear that

these rumours.

Senator Robert Dole, who is spearheading the efforts for the move, is aiming to win the favour of the Zionists on whom he counts to be elected president next year. The paper called for a United Arab and Islamic move to about Mr. Dole's attempts and reaffirm the fact that the holy city of Jerusalem is occupied territory that belongs to the Arab Nation and that the Israelis should pull out from that city in the course of implementing Security Council Resolution 242. A writer in Al Ra'i called on Israel

to pull out its forces from southern Lebanon so as to avoid further confrontations with Hizbollah and the Lebanese resistance. Mahmoud Rimawi said that as long as southern Lebanon remains occupied, tension will persist and the violence will continue. No one can blame the resistance for fighting off the occupation forces. All the blame should be squarely placed on the Israelis who, said the writer, do not wish to withdraw from Syrian and Lebanese territories occupied since 1967. The writer said that the current Israeli threats to Lebanon following the resistance attacks on Israeli troops create new tensions and undermine efforts aimed at achieving a comprehensive peace

on all tracks. A writer in tackled a Dustour report recently released by the Public

Security Department showing that drug addiction in Jordan is on the rise. The report sounds the alarm and calls for the concerned authorities to undertake practical steps to stem this dangerous trend, said Mohammad Sqour, a former minister of social development. The writer said that attention should be given to the family institution at which awareness programmes should be directed. He said the second institution is the school, where the youth gather and which forms a fertile ground for delinquency and for harmful habits to grow unless the right supervision and care are provided for the young. The writer said that the government should apply stricter rules and impose beavier penalties on drug traffickers and ought to develop modern means for treating the drug

A writer in Al Ra'i directed attention to the schools in Jordan, saying that the Ministry of Education should give bettter attention to its schools, which lately witnessed the murder of a student at the bands of his mates during a recess. Sultan Al Hattab said that it is a known fact that the educational process has been on the retreat in Jordan prompting, His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan to urge the Ministry of Education to overhaul the whole system and find the right remedy. Furthermore, it was His Majesty King Hussein who, two years ago, drew attention to the fact that drug addiction was growing in Jordan, noting that the practice was especially spreading among the young, noted the writer. He said that the Ministry of Education holds the prime responsibility not only for providing education to the children but also for ensuring that they grow up to be useful assets to their society.

Denial of freedom leads to violence and grief

THE FOLLOWING article by His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan is reprinted from the Times (of London)

ON THE cusp of a new millennium, we see the human spirit under siege as never before. Across the world. the voices of millions are crying out in desperation for relief and guidance. Many of our fellow human beings still live in abject poverty and total degrada-tion. The new world order. with its promise of peace through collective security. has come upon a baptism of fire. And still it would appear that no common frame of reference, no new consensus, no global ethic has emerged to assure the peoples of the world that they can lead peaceful. serene, and decent lives.

In the midst of this confusion, it was beartening to hear the clarity of Pope John Paul II's address to the United Nations, The Pope called for a complete reappraisal of the current conditions in the world. It is a this call will ring powerfully in all quarters of the

For we must learn the lessons of the 20th century, no matter how hard, and apply them without fear or favour. We must revise our definitions of familiar concepts, and adopt fresb practices in all fields of human endeavour. These must provide a truly substantial ethic for a new era, directly related to the needs and wishes of the peoples of the world. It is the fundamental split between "me" and "you," between "us" and "them" which is at the root of all opposition, all polarities and all conflicts. It is the denial of the shared humanity of the other and the

of violence and terror. Salvation of contemporary society will lie in recognition and respect for and make us realise that we every culture, irrespective of difference and variation. Each human culture strives to answer the fundamental questions of buman existence and each must merit recognition and respect as tive, and wholebeartedly such. From our perspective endorse it. in the Middle East where an

historic accommodation of differences is slowly taking place, there is no point more crucial than this. For after decades of conflict. Arahs and Jows are finally, beginning to recognise cach others' hopes, fears and beliefs.

Islam has been portrayed hy some as a fanatical and intolerant creed that utterly rejects the other. But faith in Islam is a matter of conscience, and conscience cannot be compelled. The Holy Koran is most emphatic on freedom of belief: "There shall be no compulsion in religion." (2:256). It also proclaims: 'Harken you who disbelieve; I do not worship what you worship, nor do you worship what I worship." The chapter ends with a categorical statement: "You have your religion, and l have mine." (109:2-7).

Historically, Islam's ability to accommodate diversity was the fountainhead of. its success, Islamic culture at its height encompassed a dazzling fusion of tradi-tions, which would not have been possible without respect and tolerance for tribute to His Holiness that that which was different, and that which was other. In our efforts to achieve peace in the Middle East, we are following these principles. which remain compelling even when they are. ignored, within the Muslim; World and beyond.

Freedom and justice cannot simply be defined by the absence of tyranny and oppression. Freedom, in the words of the Pope, is a measure of humanity's dignity and greatness; while mod-em totalitarianism is an assault on our dignity, denying us the most ele-mentary and inalienable rights, it is a challenge to the individual's spiritual growth and the moral vitality of nations.

I therefore welcome the rights that flow from it Pope's call for a buman which lead to the nightmare ethic of solidarity. For only such an ethic can build a bridge across the gap between "us" and "them' are all "us."

Only such an ethic can provide a viable basis for the next millennium of buman history. 1 applaud His Holiness for this initia-

LETTERS

Heritage versus development

To the Editor:

WORDS CANNOT express bow I felt while listening to a foreign reporter defending one of "Amman's landmarks" that is scheduled to be torn down in the name of development. I decided right-there and then that this time I am not going to be one of the numerous bystanders who always see but do not say.

This foreign reporter saw that "Mata am Hashem," a

place a lot of people know and have been to, was worth including in a documentary he was filming on Jordan's nightlife for a European television station. Now some might accuse me of being shallow and probably even vain for giving a lot of importance to the issue of a restaurant being torn down while there are a lot of more important issues worth raising. But this is not the issue. The importance lies in the fact that places like "Hashem" and "Qahwat Al Central." which is awaiting the same fate, are unique in many ways. They have been part of Amman's heritage with memories of at least three generations of Ammanites. "Hashem" has been a place where a plate of "hummos" swims in a pool of live oil slides over the invisible line that have always separated classes and brought them together.

Countries all over the world are working hard on preserving old buildings and sights that are considered part of their heritage, while it seems that we are working hard on tearing down such sights for the sake of modernisation and development. But it should not slip our mind that modern is not always better and that this type of development is not what we need.

If tearing down "Hashem" and Qahwat Al Central" is the start, I would hate to even think what the end would be. Then I shall only find consolation in a few pictures my family has kept over the years of the old city of Amman and very few books written on the history of the city. Not a lot to show of our preserved her-

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King heads for U.N.

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President Liamine Zeroual and Tunisian President Zine Al Abidine Beo Ali.

On Thursday Kiog Hussein urged the Non-Aligoed Movement (NAM) to contribute to efforts for peace around the world, especially in the Middle East region.

In an address to the NAM summit held in Colombia and delivered on his behalf hy Foreign Minister Abdul Karim Al Kahariti, King Hussein called oo the movement to reexamine its strategies with a view to better serving the interests of non-aligned oations and the objectives of the movement

Emphasising Jordao's keenness oo promoting the role of the Non-Aligned Movement, King Husseio said that NAM nations should encourage a dialogue between the North and the South and to step op coop-

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Palestinian-ruled West Bank

town of Jericho on Friday.

police patrol ordered his con-

voy to remove the blue and

white Israeli flags it was

flying and an argumeot broke

out when the drivers refused,

At one point, a Palestinian policeman cocked his weapoo

and aimed it at the Israeli

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cularly involving an Israeli

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Frustration among the 650

Palestimians aboard the car-

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into anger and a mob got into

a shouting match with the

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away a medical team that was

Tensioo subsided when

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week-long plight, according to Costas Tsikkos, the agent

in Cyprus for the ship's own-

trying to board, "It looked like a mutiny,"

said one eyewitness.

A shooting incident, parti-

Israel Radio said.

was on its way.

A joint Israel-Palestinian

Palestinians protest land grabs

eration among the countries of the Southern Hemisphere

Stressing that the movement should give priority to socio-economic development, the King said that such a development can flourish in an atmosphere of peace and democracy and security for

The King said that the countries of the Middle East embarked on a peace process at the 1992 Madrid conference to help implement U.N. Security Council resolutions 242 and 338 which call for the exchange of land for peace. He said Jordan, which signed a peace treaty with Israel in October 1994, has regained its lost territory and water rights and was striving to achieve comprehensive peace in the region.

The MENA cooference in Amman, the King said, represects the crowning of efforts aimed at promoting socio-economic development

model for future expansion of

Mr. Zeevi said he left his

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the car and suggested that

Mr. Tsikkos said a ship

capable of taking 300 passeo-gers would arrive in Cyprus at 8 a.m. (0600 GMT) on

"It is a small boat, There

will be a second trip to take the rest of them," he added. The 650 Palestinians, more

Saturday.

opeoed fire.

in the Middle East and noted that great hopes were pinned on the projects to be discussed and implemented

through the meeting.
With reference to the situation in the Gulf regioo, King Hussein said Jordan respects the sovereignty and territo-rial integrity of all states and the non-interference by any country in the internal affairs of another.

Based on this concept. Jordan supports the right of the United Arab Emirates in regaining sovereignty over the Gulf islands occupied by Iran through peaceful means and in line with international oorms and laws, he said.

The King referred to Iraq, and commended its decision to recognise the international boundaries with Kowait. He called for the lifting of the U.N. sanctions against Iraq in order to end the suffering of the Iraqi people and help safegoard the country's sovereignty and territorial in-

egrity.
Jordan also demands that Iraq release Kuwaiti citizens held since the Gulf crisis and

that Baghdad implement all U.N. Security Council resolutions, he said. He expressed solidarity with the Iraqi people's aspirations to democratic rule and other

King Hussem called for the complete elimioation of weapons of mass destruction and urged the Non-Aligned Movement to play a key role in the achievement of that

objective.

King Hussein said that foreign debts represent the main stambling bloc-in the way of developing countries' struggle for development.

The Non-Aligned Movement can help democratise world organisations like the World Bank and the International Mocetary Fund and help to bring about reforms to these institutions which he said hold the upperhand in the

world ecocomy.

The King said that through its efforts the Non-Aligned Movement can influence the U.N. organisations and agencies to help deal with the root causes of financial difficulties facing the developing world.

Hrawi outlines his policy

(Continued from page 1) Palestinian autonomy io the

Arab-Israeli dispute. The guerrillas were oo alert for reatened Israeli retaliation following the killing of nine soldiers in the last week. Mr. Hrawi stressed that

otherwise, he would have ebanco will continue to be "If someone aims a loaded allied with Syria io peace weapoo at me and maybe negotiations with Israel, intends using it, that will be which have been deadlocked the last time io their life they for months. will cock a weapoo at an Israeli," said Mr. Zeevi. Turning to reconstruction,

Mr. Hrawi said: "We shall Israeli forces arrived shortspare on effort to speed up ly after the confrontatioo and the rebuilding of our country. escorted the convoy out of Jericho, flags waving. This is the cornerstone of Libya resumes expulsions

Prime Minister Rafik Hariri, who will remain in stay on,

office as well, is engaged in a \$18 billion plan to rebuild war-shattered Beirut and restore Lebanoo to its pre-war position as a regional financial and business hub.

Parliament's move Thursday marked a major constitutional departure in Lebanon, where presidents have until now been limited to one sixyear term, and underlined

Extendiog Mr. Hrawi's term, which had been scheduled to end in five weeks, was widely expected after Syrian President Hafez Al Assad made clear last week that he wanted Mr. Hrawi to

Questions remain unanswered

(Continued from page 12) passports into five-year pass-

He said every Jordanian citizen was entitled to obtaining a family registration book but noted that holders of Jordanian passports were oot necessarily Jordanian

Assistant Companies Comptroller at the Ministry of Industry and Trade Ghaleb Al Dabbas said he believes that West Bankers holding than half of them childreo, arrived off Lamaca oo Tuesday after being ordered out of Libya last Friday and were turned away by Syria. permanent passports had the right to open companies in Syria then said it would collect about 600 of the Jordan although his depart-Palestinians on the Countess M with Syrian papers. ment had oot received clear

Director of Education at the Ministry of Education Khaled Nabtiti said noo-Jordanians could be admitted at the ministry's schools provided that they possessed re-sidence permits issued by the Ministry of Interior.

However, director of the Follow-op and Inspection Department at the Ministry of Interior Issam Al Khatib or interior issain At Knaho said West Bankers entitled to obtaining five-year passports could not obtain family reg-istratioo books and that their children could not join governmeot schools.

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Jordan Times, Saturday, October 21, 1995

Mourn the passing of the late Najwa Abdul Hameed Shoman

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Canadian trade team due here today ahead of summit

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — A high-level Canadian delegation arrives here Saturday to discuss preparation for next week's Middle East and North Africa (MENA) economic summit and Canadian role in the gathering.

The Canadian team. heatled by Member of Parliament Mae Harb and including representatives of several companies, will seek to iden-"possible areas of cooperation between Canada and Japan and start the matchmaking process hetween Canadian companies and tbeir Jordanian eounter-parts," the Canadian embassy said.

The embassy said in a press statement that the businessmen in the delegation, which will stay in Amman for three days, represent the services, aviation and construction sectors as well as the governments of Quhec and Alberta and Canadian-Arab organisa-

Canada, which maintains excellent relations with Jordan and has extended sizeable assistance to developing

the energy sector of the Kingdom, has assumed a high profile role in the multilateral phase of the Middle East peace process. It chairs the multilateral working group

on refugees.

The Canadian delegation is scheduled to hold talks on the government level with Minister of Industry and Trade Ali Abul Ragheh, Minister of Posts and Communications Jamal Saraireh, Minister of Energy and Mineral Resources Sameeh Darwazeh, Minister of Water and Irrigation Samir Kawar and Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment

Nader Thuheirat. On the private sector level, the team will meet with representatives of the Amman Chamber of Industry, the special committees preparing private sector participation in the MENA summit, the Jordanian Businessmen Association and Jordanian

The Canadian embassy noted that Canada's participation in the MENA summit was initiated during a visit that His Majesty King Hussein paid to that country

"Since then, Canada has

assisted the Jordanian private sector's participation for the summit through a number of round-table meetings in both Jordan and Canada.

"Canada's interest in the summit is reflected through its private sector husiness participation in the summit," said the embassy, noting that upto 30 companies were expected to be represented at the summit and some of them were also represented in the mission headed by MP Harb. The Canadian team to the

summit is expected to be among the largest at the con-ference. It will include chairman, presidents, managing directors and senior executives from Cansult Group, Candesal, Realmont, the Export Development Corporation, the International Financial Services Institute, TriStar Industries, SNG La Valin Group, Kass Investments, Philip Environmental Inc., the Diesel Division of General Motors, Ramori Canada Inc., Dehuka Investments Corporation, the Canada Post Corporation, Strategie Business Trends Inc., Exsultate Inc., Ingersoll-Rand, the New Middle East Consortium, Enterprises Vibec Inc., and AT & IT.

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Egypt to attend Amman Economic Summit 'with aggressiveness, without inhibitions' "these disparities add a lot to would be coming to the Am-

By George Hishmeh USIA staff writer

CAIRO - Egypt, the first Arah country to sign a peace treaty with Israel, will be attending the upcoming Amman Economic Summit late this month "with aggressiveness, without inhibitions, and with a clear vision" that the meeting's main objective should be peace in the Middle East, said Ambassador Raouf Saad of the Egyptian ministry of foreign affairs.

Mr. Saad, who is Egypt's top official involved in the coordination of this economic summit, stated that the Cairo government is determined to see at Amman "the formulation of a sound basis (for the region), politically and eco-

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Yves Saint Laurent launch OPIUM

Administrative Director of the Medical Equipment Office

Taher Al Hudhud Thursday held a press conference to

leunch the new perfume OPIUM for men, from Yves

Mr. Al Hudhud said it is a wealth of oriental mysteries

and charms, it is rare, precious, free, unsettling,

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OPIUM, said Mr. Al Hudhud, is a dream that knows no

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Saint Laurent, in the Jordanian market.

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The three-day Amman Economic Summit starting Oct. 29 is expected to see the participation of more than 1,000 government leaders and businessmen — about 150 from the United States alone - to herald the opening of a government-husiness partnership in the economic development of the Middle East and North Africa in the wake of the Middle East peace process. The conference is a follow-up to last October's Casahlanca economie summit that saw for the first time Arab and Israeli political and business leaders mingle together under the

Speaking in an interview, Ambassador Saad said Egypt

considers the Amman summit "as only a step within the peace process (in order) to consolidate our efforts on the peace track.' He said his government is

cooperation." He said he saw a link be-

not see these regional prog-

Here, he repeated his government's thinking that peace

Amhassador Saad cautioned that cooperation in the Middle East should be established on what he termed a "balanced" peace. "If you look at the econo-

mic situation in the Middle East, it is very unhalanced,' he pointed out. "You have a per capita income of \$14,000 a year in Israel and an average of \$1,000 in the neighbouring countries." Mr. Saad continued,

convinced that "we cannot disengage the peace process from economie or regional

tween the peace process on the bilateral track and the economie dimension of the peace process on the regional or multilateral track. Egypt, he elaborated, does

rammes as a "tool for peace." Rather, he went on, Egypt's participation eman-ates from its belief that it is at present contributing to re-gional cooperation "in anti-cipation of peace." He remarked, this view is contrary to the one which believes that peace dividend should come first and that peace would come later.

in the region should be comprehensive and must include the Lebanese and Syrians, who are both boycotting the Amman meetings. He also said it was necessary for the Palestinians to know what they could expect at the end of the process because addi-tional setbacks "would hinder our efforts" which started four years ago this month in Madrid, when Israel met face-to-face with her immediate neighbours for the first time, under U.S. and Russian sponsorship.

the suspicion and the harping that exists." In order to check this negative trend, he suggested the introduction of economic cooperation on a balance basis so as to reduce

the disparities and give all parties positive dividends." Here, he cautioned that the benefits from the peace process "should not go to one party at the expense of another," stressing "we have to ensure that this is a win-

win game. Ambassador Saad pointed out that "the area is full of suspicions that Israel is coming to control the economies of the region." He disagreed with this

point of view. "I personally don't think (Israel) is capable of doing that and I do not think it wants that.' His reasoning is that if it

was control that Israel wanted, then it would not be integrating in the region; moreover, an attempt to control would impact negatively on the peace process. Additionally, he did not think Israel was capable of economie hegemony since it only has "five or six" products that may be eye-cathing and some of these may not be desirable for the Arab coun-

He then went on to challenge the notion that all regional projects in the Middle East should always involve the four core countries: Egypt, Israel, Jordan and the Palestinian areas — "a narrow vision," is bow he described it. His admittedly "futuristic view" is that there could be regional partners in the area without necessarily including Israel.

At this point, he explained the reluctance of some Arah countries in the Gulf area to participate in the proposed Middle East Development Bank as stemming from the fact that they still do not have peace with Israel. But he was certain all the Gulf states

man conference. Amhassador Saad was confident that the regional institutions that were promised in the Casahlanca Declaration would be announced in Amman although he did say that there are still some intri-

cate details to be worked out about interim arrangements and about the location of these institutions. He spoke matter-of-factly, however, about the Middle East Development Bank being head-

quartered in Egypt. "It is very important," Ambassador Saad stressed repeatedly, "that all parties (at Amman) have to take part effectively in formulating the economie terms of the regional cooperation to make sure we are establishing

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going last-minute revision. He also said that a large delegation - "about 75" from the Egyptian private sector will be in the Jordanian capital as well.

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Speaking in a television interview earlier this week, Joan Spero, the U.S. undersecretary of state for economic, husiness and agricultural affairs, described Egypt as "an integral part of the multilateral groups that grow out of the Madrid process," stressing that "Egypt is really a core relationship for the United States."

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FORECAST FOR SATUR-DAY, OCTOBER 21, 1995 By Thomas S. Pierson. Astrologer, Carroll Righter

Astrological Foundation ARIES: (March 21 to April 19) You may find your career activities hard to accomplish today, so find new gadgets which can ameliorate the situation now and in the fu-

TAURUS: (April 20 to May 20) A major expense could really confuse you today if you lose your poise and perspective, calm down and look at it objectively.

GEMINI: (May 21 to June 21) Look to some good friend for assistance today with home difficulties. Contact this person early in the day so that you can follow the advice provided.

MOON CHILDREN: (June 22 to July 21) You may find it difficult to communicate well in business today, but some personal gain can make you happy and very productive. LEO: (July 22 to August 21) You have fine ideas for expressing you best talents today, but take care you do not go overboard where some financial affair is concerned.

VIRGO: (August 22 to September 22) Plan just how to gain your personal aims this morning and then take action in the evening for best results in gaining your suc-

LIBRA: (September 23 to October 22) Be willing to accept the aid of a good 6 friend in the morning today and then be with other friends for social purposes later tonight.

SCORPIO: (October 23 to November 21) Get an early start today on business affairs you wish to complete since you cannot gain a personal wish you had in mind.

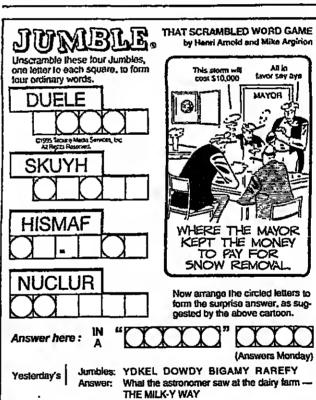
SAGITTARIUS: (November 22 to December 21) Get into new activities during the day-time today since it will be evening before you can get a private affair working properly towards a solution.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 to January 20) Study major expenses which are pending and pay up instead of going after new interests today. Be careful in driving on the high-

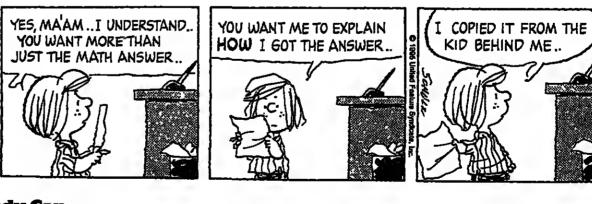
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PISCES: (February 20 to £1 March 20) Get busy improving your home and avoid a fellow associate who is difficult at this time. Persevere in the career activities you are currently doing.

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Israel announces \$1.6b Intel deal

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (R) — The Israeli treasury announced Friday it had reached an agreement with Intel Corp allowing the U.S. company to build a \$1.6 biltion facility in Israel. for export.

Finance Minister Avraham Shohat told a news conference the semiconductor plant would mark the largest foreign investment in Israel to date and Intel production would begin in 1998.

This investment, which in my assessment is the largest ever made in Israel, has significance above and beyond this specific project," Mr. Shohat told reporters, Annual turnover from the facility to make semiconductors for computers is expected to total \$1 billion with all the production designated

Dov Frohman, the general-manager of Intel Israel and vice president of Intel Corp, said the plant would directly employ 1,500 people.
"The investment is good

for Israel and good for Intel in that order," he said. Intel plans to build the facility in the developing area of Kiryat Gat, in the Negev

Trend at AFM is highly positive

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Sbare prices sprang back at the Amman Financial Market (AFM) last week in dipped turnover but the trend in the market is highly positive ahead of the Oct. 29-31 Middle East and North Africa (MENA) economic summit, AFM dealers

said Friday. They said a 1.5 per cent drop in prices in the previous week was largely because of shedding by some investors who wanted quick liquidity and the decline was not indicative of a depressive mood

The weekly report of the AFM said the official market

index based on 650 major companied closed on Wednesday — the last day of trading for the week — at 160.5 points, up 2.5 points or 1.6 per cent, from the week's opening of 158 points.

Volume for the week was JD 4.5 million, down 15 per

cent from the previous week's JD 5.3 million, but, as one AFM dealer put it, the market activity was "very beaithy. Industrials gained 2.3 per cent during the week on a turnover of JD 2.2 million.

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of the volume, followed by the banking sector with 2.2 per cent with a turnover of JD 1.5 million, or 20.8 per cent. The services sector accounted for JD 700,000, or 15.65 per cent, and gained

1.2 per cent. Insurance stocks were down 0.1 per cent on a JD 100,000 volume.

The AFM report said 2.8 million shares changed hands under 3.401 contracts concluded during the week, which saw average daily trad-ing dropping to JD 900,000 compared with the previous

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Brokers said investors were involved in last-minute efforts to take positions ahead of the MENA summit, which, many expect, to produce progress on realisation of multi-million dollar proiects with local and foreign

"It will not a surprise at all to see high turnover and prices shooting up this week, the final days of trading before the summit." commented a broker, who, under AFM regulations, cannot be identified by name.

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A review of news from the Arabic press

Floating prices is possible

** THE MINISTRY of Supply announced for the first time the possibility of floating prices of products on the basic condition that laws protecting the consumer are available. He said "If laws are available, it is then possible to think of floating prices but without such laws, there is no choice for the ministry except to continue fixing prices in accordance with the supply law." The minister emphasised that despite higher costs for rice, sugar and, especially wheat, by double the old prices, the government will continue to subsidise these foodstuffs and will not reduce the subsidy in the 1996 budget (Al Dustour).

Sales tax raises prices

* PRICES OF more than 40 products went up at the Civil Consumer Corporation as a result of raising the sales tax from seven to ten per cent. The corporation's directorgeneral said the price increase will not affect available products at the corporation's markets as the sales tax will only be imposed on new purchases and imports.

Trade team to visit West Bank

☆☆ A JORDANIAN trade delegation will visit the West Bank to enable Jordanian businessmen meet Palestinian counterparts to discuss possible joint cooperation_with them. The delegation, initiated by the Jordan Trade Association, will be led by Kamal Qaqish (Al Aswaq).

Glass factory under revival

★★ THE MANAGING committee of the Jordan Glass Factory, which was closed in 1993, is making contacts with local, Arab and foreign investors to relaunch the company under a new registration and by acquiring the existing facilities which was not operating at more than 10 per cent of its capacity in the past. The new founders will be able to operate the factory, modernise its facilines and diversify its projects. The head of the managing committee said samples of Jordanian sand suitable for glass manufacturing was sent to many Arab and foreign companies and was found to be competitive in quality and prices. The factory was closed as a result of technical deficiencies which surfaced during production in addition to rising costs and administrative negligence which later translated into large losses and low-quality output. A committee which investigated the situation has submitted its findings to the minister of finance who referred the report to the prosecutor general. No decision on the issue has been reached yet (Al

Garbage dumping site under study

★★EIGHTEEN COMPANIES out of 34 which submitted offers to study building a waste dump site in Russeifa, have been qualified for the second stage which involves matching the technical and financial offers presented by these companies. The tenders committee at the Municipality of Greater Amman is looking at the financial offers of these companies in order to select four of them to conduct the studies which cost between JD 150,000 to JD 400,000. The municipality seeks to building a waste dump site which could cost about JD 20 million and will be workiong on obtaining the necessary financing for this project which will replace the present dumping site (Al Ra'i).

Wrong policy

** THE POLICY of absorbing large numbers of employees each year in the civil service is a wrong policy, former Social Development Minister Mohammad Sqour says. He indicates that wages of civil servants are basically low and small increases in salaries every now and then will not present a practical solution to the problem of rising cost of living. He points out that civil servants account for 40 per cent of the Kingdom's total workforce and that is an imbalance that bloats the public sector and reduces its productivity. Dr. Squar sees the remedy by not burdening the state more than its need and to have the private sector participate in the development of the country (Al Aswaq).

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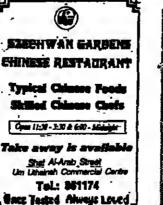
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Coulthard takes provisional pole position

AIDA, Japan (AP) — David Coulthard of Britain was more than pleased Friday to grab the provisional pole position in the first official qualifier Friday for Sunday's Pacific Grand Prix, followed by his teammate Damon Hill.

Coulthard, the winner of the Portuguese Grand Prix m September, circled the 3,703-kilometre T-I circuit as he roared his Williams-Renault in 1 minute, 14.182 seconds at an average speed of 179.704 ilometres per hour.

Britain's Hill, desperate to win Sunday's race to head off - or at least delay - archrival Michael Schumacher from clinching the season's title was second at 1:14.289. Hill, 35, averaged the circuit at 179,445 kph.

Schumacher, who is just one fourth-place finish away from his secood consecutive Formula One championship this year, was only 0.235 seconds be-hind Hill at 1:14.524 in his Benetton-Renault. "I wasn't really thinking

about the pole position," Coulthard told reporters after the qualifier Friday. "I would have been happy with third or better."

Coulthard said, however, the dusty racetrack slowed him down.

This is a fun circuit to drive from the qualifying point of view, but it's very very difficult because it's incredibly dusty out there on the track," he said.

With seven victories and 82 points this seasoo, the 26-year-old German has what almost everyone considers an insurmountable 27-point lead over Hill, who has 55. Coulthard, who has collected 43 points, ranks just behind his teammate.

"I was pretty much on the limit and did not feel I could improve my time very much, if at all, towards the end of the ses-Schumacher said. "We will have to go away and study the data and sort the car out for tomorrow.

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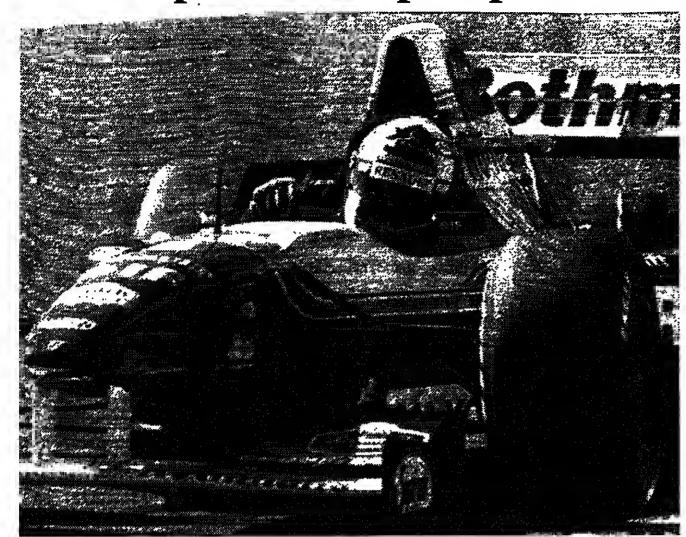
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David Coulthard of Great Britain steers for the Pacific Grand Prix in Aida, Japan. his Williams on his way to setting the Coulthard set the fastest time of one

fastest time in the first qualifying session minute 14.182 seconds (Reuters photo)

For Hill, who has only three victories for Williams-Reoault this year, the only chance is to win all three remaining races: Sun-day's Pacific Grand Prix, oext Sunday's Japanese Grand Prix in Suzuka and the Nov. 12 Australian Grand Prix.

He also has to hope Schumacher earns no more than two points in those three races, the equivalent

of one fifth-place or two six-place finishes. Hill, who hasn't given up hope, aggressively repeated attempts to better his

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who marked the faster time aged local transportation earlier io the session Fri-

day. The result, Hill said, was good.

"We must maintain that for tomorrow," Hill said. But Hill said the car has to be adjusted to the slippery track, which he said was "like the beach."

Japan's unprecedented situation of hosting two Formula One races in two consecutive weeks came about after the Pacific Grand Prix had to he moved from its original April date because the Jan. 17 Kobe earthquake dam-

ceived sanction by the international Automobile Federation last year. The only shorter track on the Grand Prix circuit is Monaco's 3.328-kilometre temporary road course.

Jan Magnussen of Denmark, a test driver for McLaren-Mercedes. finished 11th at 1:16.339 as he drove in place of Finnish driver Mika Hakkinen who misses Sunday's race after having an appendectomy.

After Friday's first qual-

ifying session, there will be

another qualifier Saturday

to determine the pole posi-

tion for Sunday's race. A

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Parmander win race Eriksson,

BELIING (R) - Swede Kenneth Eriksson won the Hong Kong-Beijing motor rally on Friday and with it the Asia-

Eriksson and co-driver Staffan Parmander, also of Sweden, clinched the victory in a final morning stage at the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644) imperial tombs outside the Chinese capital, then drove into Beijing's huge central Tiananmen Square for the awards presentation.

"It feels fantastic," said Eriksson. "I have wanted this victory for three years. We worked hard as a team and did a professional joh. We learnt a lot from last year."

According to provisional final results, he finished in 4:39.28, ahead of secondplaced Finn Ari Vatanen and Italian Fabrizia Pons, also in a Mitsuhishi, in 4:40.04 and third-placed Britons Richard Burns and Robert Reid in a Suharu 555 Impreza in

With the victory, Eriksson clinched the championship title regardless of the result of the final event of the sixround series, Thailand in De-

on Oct. 14 from Hong Kong. 27 finished the race. The distance between Hong Kong Chinese watched the race en route and that there were no accidents, except for the deaths of a few chickens.

Moments after his victory. Eriksson said he was considering a switch to another team, adding he could make an announcement next week.

Eriksson said he was considering a move to Suharu or another team, because he wanted a shot at the World Championship.

"It looks like maybe Mitsubishi will only concentrate on the Asia-Pacific Cham-

pionship next year. I want to do that plus the World Championship. I think I have a fair chance of the World Championship," the driver said.

"It's sort of like gambling It's hard to leave in a way. because you know what you have, but in other ways if you leave, you get a new kick, a new spirit, he said.

Eriksson has been with Mitsubishi for the last six years, but his current contract with the Japanese auto giant expires at the end of

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Plucky Celtic limit damage while Parma crash to Halmstad PARIS (AFP) — Plucky Celmissed a golden opportunity to go clear after half an hour

tie limited the damage wheo when Brazilian playmaker Rai, unmarked in the area they restricted French opponents Paris St. Germain to a and only six yards out, scooped Jose Cobos' pass single goal in the away leg of their European Cup winners Cup second-round clash here over the bar. But last season's UEFA

Five minutes later Djorkaeff got the better of Tom Boyd and slipped the bali inside to Fournier, hut the Frenchman mis-hit his first effort and then curled his second wide. Ironically the best chance

of the half came at the other end - Dutchman Pierre van Hooydonk heading wide with only goalkeeper Bernard Lama to beat.

Simon Donnelly, who was not expected to play, came on as substitute with 20 minutes to go, but Celtic's fortunes dived.

Djokaeff, denied minutes earlier by a 25-yard shot which beat Marshall but hit the post, got his revenge. Stephane Mahe sent a long

hall down the left wing, Guerin got the better of Rudi Vata and crossed in from the left. Marshall had no chance as Djorkaeff slotted home his third goal in European competition.

PSG sobstitute Pascal Nouma should have made it 2-0 in 81st minute but balloned the hall over the har from only four yards out.

After the match Van Hooydook admitted "obviously we are dis-appointed at conceding a late goal. "We didn't create enough chances - only my

header in the first half. But I thought our defence played particularly well and we still have a good chance in the second-leg."

Içeland's striker Niklas Gndmundsson upset Parma with two goals in the first half an honr in Gothenburg. And Robert Andersson made the task of the 1993 Cup Winners Cup were even more difficult in the return in Italy in a formight's time, by scoriog a third for the Swedes late in

Evertoo looked sharp and

the second-half.

produced plenty of enterprise and determination in front of their fans at Goodison Park but they failed to score the all-important goals against Feyenoord and they must now travel to Rotterdam hoping to repeat their 1985 glory night there when they beat Austria Vienna to win the competition. Manager Joe Ryle, deprived of six first choice players, lined np Earl Barrett, Craig Short and Gary Ablett io a triple centre-back formation with David Unsworth and Matthew Jackson employed as

radiding wing backs.
This, with Vinny Samways' return to midfield, made Everton a threatening force — yet at the end of the evening Everton still owed much to veteran goalkeeper Neville Southall who pulled off foor brilliant saves from Miehael Obiko, Giovaoni van Bronckhorst, Rob Witschee and Roh Maas to deny Feneoord a smash-and-grah

Most of Everton's best attacks came down as the left flank where Anders Limpar and the charging Unsworth were always willing to run at

the Fevenoord defence, And from Limpar's best cross in the 48th minute. Samways closed in unmarked on the far post hut was not tall enough to connect with the ball.

Everton dealt splendidly with the threat of Ronald Koeman's free kicks, conceding only ooe in shooting range which was planted high into the stand by the former Dutch international.

With two minutes left rideout came desperately close to snatching victory for an Everton side undefeated in 11 European ties since being ousted from the UEFA Cup hy Feyenoord in 1979. The striker hurled bimself forward to meet sobstitute Stuart Barlow's cross - hut. his header went just over the

Two of the three goals in Real Zaragoza's 2-1 win over Bruges came from the spot — bardly surprising in a match constantly robbed of rhythm hy niggling fouls.

Aragon slotted home a first

penalty after 28 minutes while Staciens also scored the Bruges goal with a spot kick mid-way through the second-

The other Zaragoza goal, also in the first-baif, came from Dani after 33 minutes. Bruges had Renier sent off



Everton's Barry Horne (left) pulls down Feyenoord's Henrik Larsson during their European Cup Winners Cup match at Goodison Park (Reuters photo)

61 minutes and Zaragoza's Navim followed him for an early shower nine minutes later when he too carned a second booking.

The other players to be

for a second yellow card after show a vellow card were Solana (12), Aragon (53), Caceres (63), Poyet (72) and Belsue (73) for Zaragoza while Van Der Elst (27) was booked for Bruges. In the night's other match-

Moenchengladbach ran up an impressive 4-1 home win over Ack Athens while Deportivo la Coruna came away from Turkey 1-0 winners over Trabzonspor.

es Germany's Borussia

Two goals in the first 25 minutes wer enough to give Sporting Lisbon a 2-0 home win over Rapid Vienna while Dynamo Moscow defeated visiting Haradec Kralove of the Czech Republic 1-0.

Scottish champions look to Gazza

GLASGOW (AFP) — Rangers hope to recall English star Paul Gascoigne on Saturday to help repair team morale after Wednesday's 4-1 thrashing hy Juveotus in

Manager Walter Smith is hopeful Gascoigne, out for three games with a thigh strain, will be fit to return against Hearts at Ibrox.

The Scottish champions, badly in need of a lift after their Italian nightmare, hring back former Hearts defender Alan McLaren after being suspended for the European

champions' league match. But there is still no likelihood of Danish star Brian Landrup, Charlie Miller, Ian Ferguson or Trevor Steven

Laudrup, who hardly missed a game last season when he won the Scottish player of the year donble, is out of another three weeks with his

Hearts manager Jim Jefferie will go to Ibrox lifted by last week's 4-2 wio over Raith following a poor run of form. But he has fitness doubt's

ankle problem.

over Alan Lawrence (Hamstring) and Dave McPherson Celtic, spirits high after Thursday's impressive Euro-

pean Cup Winners' Cup performance in Paris which ended in a single goal defeat, go to Kilmarnock who have striker Tom Brown doubtful and Ally Mitchell suspended.

Hihernian entertain Motherwell at Easter Road in a repeat of last season's Scottish Cup meeting.

Hibs' manager Alex Miller must rely on the players who drew 2-2 at Celtie last weekend with six long-term injury victims still out - Graham Mitchell, Joe Tortolano, Andy Milleo, Willie Miller, David Farrell and Mickey Weir.

Bottom club Falkirk travel to Stark's Park to face Raith knowing they have only chance left to claim a first win in the opening quarter of the Scottish league premier division programme, But Brockville manager-

John Lambie has a couple of mjury worries for the trip to Kirkcaldy.

Midfielder Derek Ferguson has ankle ligament damage and looks very doubtful while John Clark has been suffering from a calf strain hut made a reserve team

comeback in midweek.

Aberdeen are at home to Murdo MacLeod's Partick as they seek a pick-me-up after defeats hy Rangers and Motherwell before Tuesday's Coca-Cola cup semi-final against the champions at Hampden.

Scotland striker Duncan Shearer could make his first start of the season for the Doos with Scott Booth doubtful due to a groin

Ford Taurus Sedan, a fully remodelled version of Ford Taurus will be on display at the Tokyo Motor Show which will be open from October 28. The new

Taurus, powered V6 3-litre engine, right-hand-drive model developed for the Japanese market is to be launched next spring (Reuters photo)

Fast ground may be against **Always**

Earnest PARIS (R) — Connections of French trained Always Earnest are worried hy the expected fast ground as the seven-year-old attempts to go one better in the Group One Prix Royal-Oak (French St. Leger) over three kilometres

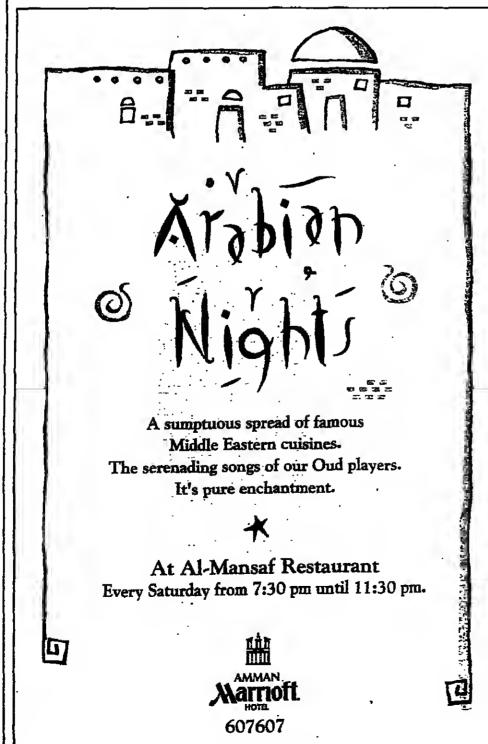
In last year's race Always Earnest was touched off by English raider Moonax, but he gaioed his revenge when getting the better of his rival by a short head in the Group One Prix du Cadran last

He eveo survived an attempted bite by Moonax, but it was a fine performance as Always Earnest had been plagned by problems during the summer and hadn't raced ince May.

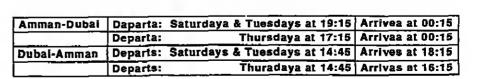
Moonax will be an absentee on Sunday, but Richard Hannon's Assessor will be out to emulate his 1992 success which was achieved at long odds. He made a fine British return when beating all bar Further Flight in the Group Three Jockey Clob Cup at Newmarket three

ceks ago. Eight go to post and this quality field includes the Coronation Cup hero, Sun-shack, who hasn't raced since his fifth to stablemate, Carnegie, in another Group One event, the Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud in July.

Sunshack is a full brother to the 1993 winner, Raintrap, and his trainer, Andre Fahre, has gone on record as saying that he is fit and well after a break, adding that the dis-tance shouldn't prove a prob-









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Claes resigns as NATO chief, pleads innocence

BRUSSELS (Agencies) — Willy Claes on Friday stepped down as North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) secretary-general with a sense of regret widely shared by colleagues, but maintained his innocence in the face of pending corruption charges.

The expected resignation came the day after the Belgian parliament lifted his immunity from prosecution as a former government minister. The interests of this great alliance, its credibility and its efficiency have always come

first with me," he told a oews conference at NATO headquarters in Brassels. "I have therefore concluded that the interests of the alliance are best served by my taking this course of action" Mr. Claes said,

adding that he did so "with

much regret." But he protested his "total innocence" of the charges levelled at him and said that the conditions in which he had to defend himself against them were "unworthy of a modern state."

Earlier he had told ambassadors from the 16 NATO then had a final lunch with

"They received the news with profound regret and expressed their personal sympathy that he had found it necessary to take this deci-sion," a NATO statement

"They also expressed their profound gratitude for his leadership and for the major contributioo which he made to the work of the alliance during his year in office, which has been a momentous one for NATO."

The resignation of Mr. Claes, an ecocomic minister in the Belgian government in the 1980s, was regarded as mevitable after 97 of the parliament's 150 members voted to lift his immunity. He faces possible charges in a scandal centering on bribes paid by Italy's Agusta company to win a contract to sell helicop-

ters to the Belgian military. The voting Thursday night by secret ballot came after Mr. Claes went before partiament one last time and m 11th-hour bid to plead his innocence and also try to save his job as political head of the world's most powerful military alliance.

The accusations had dogged the 56-year-old Claes at a crucial time for NATO as it faces further involvement in former Yugoslavia and Russian opposition to plans to expand into Eastern Europe.

With NATO urgently prepariog the biggest operation of its history - policing a hoped-for peace agreement in Bosnia-Herzegovina -- the allies will move quickly on his successor. The ambassadors are to start consultations next

Among the front-runners are former Dutch Prime Minister Ruud Lubbers and former Danish Foreign Minister Uffe Ellemann-Jenseo. In the interim the job will be done by Deputy Secretary-General Sergio Balanzino of Italy.

European Commissioner Hans van Den Brgek, a former Dutch foreign minister, said he was not a candidate to replace Mr. Claes.

He said he wanted to stay on as European commissioo-er responsible for external affairs and the EU's eastward



STRANDED: Palestinians expelled from Libya and stranded on hoard the Countess M car-ferry anchored off the Cyprus port of Larnaca wave to passing boats. A Syrian ship was expected at Larnaca early Saturday pick up over 550 of the 650 aboard the Countess and ferry them to Syria (see page one) (AFP photo)

Passport extension solves some questions, but others remain

AMMAN (J.T.) — A recent controversy over Jordanian passports held by West Bank Palestinians seems to be heading for resolution after the Ministry of Interior issued new regulations grant-ing West Bankers five-year

According to a report in the Friday edition of Al Ra'i, the regulations allow West Bank residents who were living in Jordan before the Kingdom's 1988 decision to sever legal and administrative ties with the West Bank to obtain permanent five-year passports.

living in the West Bank to apply for five-year passports provided they were residing there between 1949-1954. The regulations also allow

Western Bankers holding temporary two-year passports to obtain five-year pass-

Interior Minister Salameh Hammad said Wednesday that the passport holders should retain the green and yellow cards issued to them by authorities at the bridges. The green cards are issued

The South Pacific Forum

recently cut off France's di-

alogue status as a result of the

resumption of testing by President Jacques Chirac fol-

lowing a three-year morator-

France, which has already

conducted two tests, plans to

continue with a half-dozen

more through May next year.

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to those who live oo the West Bank and the vellow ones are issued to those living on the East Bank who have acquired permits from Israel to live on the West Bank through fami-

these regulations have no bearing on the Kingdom's de-cision to sever ties with the West Bank which considers as Palestinians all residents of the West Bank before July 31, 1988 and employees of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

The sources said these regulations will be followed by other explanations regarding the right of West Bankers to obtain family registration books, driving licences and food rationing cards.

However, a number of questions remain to he

Arabic daily, the questions include the West Bankers' rights to obtain family registration books, join government schools, get employment at government departments or start a business in the Kingdom.

In an interview with Al Dustour, Assistant Director of the Civil Registration Department Ibrahim Shaaban said West Bankers who will obtain permanent passports are not entitled to applying for family registration books. Mr. Shaaban noted that the regulations only deal with

the question of passports. Director of Employment at the Employment Bureau Abd Qassem said his department did not thus far receive any instructions on the employment of West Bankers, adding that the Ministry of Interior was still studying the

"We only employ Jordaoian nationals in government departments," he asserted, adding that job applicants were usually requested to present family registration books rather than passports as a proof of citizenship.

Assistant Director General of the Passports Department Mohammad Kharabsheh said his department had not also received any written instructions to convert the two-year

(Continued on page 7)

Jordan, Israel agree on signing accords

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Jordan and Israel agreed to sigh a trade agreement on Tuesday and an accord on transport in early November during talks held here last week between His Royal Highenss Crown Prince Hassan and Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon

Another key agreement reached during the talks oo Wednesday was on defining the Jordanian-Israeli border in the Red Sea, the first accord between any two countries sharing the Red

The sea border will run down the middle of the Gulf of Aqaba.

The main focus of the talks between the Crown Prince and Mr. Peres, who was accompanied by the Israeli ministers of trade, transport aod tonrism, was joint Jordanian-Israeli projects to be presented at next week's Middle East and North Africa (MENA) economic summit and prospects for financ-

ing the projects.

Also reviewed was the imelementation of the Oct. 26, Jordan-Israel peace treaty and the status of the various agreements called for : the treaty, and in this context the two sides set the dates and vennes for signing the trade and transport agreements as well as an accord security affairs to be signed by the interior ministers of the two countries.

The much-delayed trade accord, which will clear the way for direct imports and exports between the two countries and for investments in each other's territory, will be signed by Minister of Industry and Trade Ali Abul Ragheb and his Israeli connterpart Michel Harish at Tiberias to officials.

The agreement calls for preferential treatment and reduces customs duties and taxes for products are listed preferential treatment and reduced customs and taxes take immediate effect.

The accord also calls for setting up joint committees to work on expanding trade ties. Crown Prince Hassan said after the meeting with Mr. Peres that this issue was an important topic for discussions with the Israeli foreign minister during the talks.

The agreement on security is expected to be signed by Interior Minister Salameh Hammad and his Israeli counterpart Yehud Barak along with the trade accord in Tiberias.

The transport accord, which will allow the entry of Jordanian and Israeli vehicles into each other's territory 30 days after the agreements takes effect, will be signed by Transport Minister Samir Kawar and his Israeli counterpart Yisrael Kessar in Haifa in early November.

Bus services connecting Amman, Irbid and Agaba with the Israeli cities of Tel Aviv, Haifa, Nazreth and Aqaba will begin 45 days after the accord is signed.

The transport agreement includes a key section on civil aviation that will clear the way for direct flights between the two sides as well as granting each other overflight rights. It will also allow for Israeli use of the port of Agaba and Jordanian use of the Israeli ports of Haifa and Ashdod, according to the Jerusalem Post, an English-language Israeli daily.

Royal Jordaoiao, the national carrier, started using Israeli airspace in May 1995 under in interim agreement, which is firmed up in the

transport accord. According to the Post, RJ flew about 200 flights a month through Israeli airs-pace after the May accord was reached.

The two sides have agreed to expand the Aqaba airport with a main building and two terminals to serve Jordan and Israel. The airport will be called "Peace Airport."

Jordan and Israel have also agreed that Israel will build a permanent hridge at the Sheikh Hussein crossing in the north while Jordan will set up a similar facility at the King Hussein Bridge that connects Jordan with the West Pr ...



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2 second prizes awarded in Chopin Competition

WARSAW, Polind (AP) For the second time in a row, no first prize was awarded at the end of the prestigious 13th International Frederic Chopin Piano Competition. Philippe Giusiano of France and the public's favourite. Alexei Sultanov of Russia, were each awarded second prize and \$20,000 by the 24-member jury. The third prize and \$15,000 went to Gabriela Montero, 25, a Venezuelan-born

American, Rem Urasin, 19, from Russia, came in fourth and was nwarded \$10,000. Japan's Rika Miyatani, 24, won fifth prize, worth \$6,000, and Magdalena Lisak, 24, of Poland got the sixth prize and \$4,000. Traditional prizes for best Mazurka. Polonaise and concerto were not awarded. None of the six laurentes looked рарру Grudzinski, the competition's director, read the verdici. Fans who waited Warsaw

Philharmonic until well after midnight to hear the results reacted with boos and cries of "scandal," Nn first prize was awarded in the last competition, in 1990, and observers noted that the repeat could mean either that the quality of top-level contestants had deteriorated in recent years, or that the competition's rules should be adjusted to new musical

'Mariboro Man' dies of lung cancer

LOS ANGELES (R) -David McLean, a rugged actor who for many years pontayed the "Mariboro Man" in television cigarette commercials, has died at the age of 73 from lung cancer, a mortuary spokeswoman said. The spokeswoman said McLean, who also appeared in movies and in television westerns, died on Oct. 12 at the University of California Medical Centre in Los Angeles. McLean appeared in small roles in a series of television westerns including Gunsmoke, Bonanza, High Chaparral and The Virginian His movie credits include The Andromeda Strain in 1971 and Nevada Smith in 1975. He is survived by his wife, Lilo, and son, Mark.

Charles, Camilla appear at same party

LONDON (AP) - Prince

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Charles brought joy to tabloid editors as he appeared at a party also attended by his close friend Camilla Parker Bowles. The event described by the Daily Mail as "an astonishing high-risk strategy" hy the couple, made the from pages of most of the popular Thursday. It was the first time Prince Charles, 47, and Camilla, 48, have been seen at the same public event since the prince's admission last year that he had strayed from his marriage vows with Princess Diana. Jonathan Dimbleby, the prince's biographer, had identified Mrs. Parker Bowles as the other woman. Both appeared Wednesday at the Ritz Hotel for the 50th birthday of Lady Sarah Keswick. Mrs. Parker Bowles arrived two hours before # the prince, who was detained at a film premiere. The Sun newspaper reported that Mrs. Parker Bowles's ex-busband Andrew, and their son Tom were also at the bash.

NAM adopts united stand for U.N. reforms and debt relief

CARTAGENA, Colombia (AFP) — The majority of the world's countries in the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) embraced a developing-world plan of action Friday sweeping U.N. reform and relief

from onerous foreign debt.
Capping their 11th summit.
NAM leaders gave the nod to a thick declaration also explicitly condemning the U.S. economic embargo on Cuba, and urging nuclear disarmament and a new peace pact on the Korean peninsula.

With the non-aligned at its heart, the United Nations can at last serve the peoples of the world as they must be served," U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Ghali told reform-minded NAM leaders Wednesday.

"With the U.N.'s 50th anniversary events set for next week in New York, reforming the most powerful U.N. decision-making body

cies) — The United States,

France, and Britain con-

firmed Friday they will recog-

nise a nuclear-free zone in

the South Pacific as soon as

the French complete their

current tests in the region.
A joint statement by the

three governments, released

here, said they would sign three protocols of the 1985

Rarotonga Treaty, which

established a nuclear free

zone, in the first half of 1996.

The statement said the

in their favour topped the NAM wish list.

NAM members make up almost two thirds of all the world's countries, with a majority in the General Assembly.

But must resent the fact they only hold some of the 10 rotating council seats, with the veto power of permanent members — Britain, France, the United States, Russia and China - often overriding their will.

Colombian President Emesto Samper, who took the reins of the NAM Wednesday in this Caribbean resort city, said: "What the developing countries expect of this reform is that the U.N. represent today's world.
"It is our intention to

democratise the mechanisms and procedures of the United The NAM issued a joint

Asia-Pacific region.

Polynesia.

UNITED NATIONS (Agen- security" throughout the

move would "contribute to ernment meeting in Auck-ioternational peace and land, New Zealand next

call for a stronger NAM pre-

The decision to sign the

protocols appeared aimed at

defusing widespread anger in

the Asia-Pacific region over

France's resumption of

underground nuclear tests in

the Mururoa atoll of French

Britain maintained silence

over the French testing, and

British Prime Minister John

Major is expected to face

criticism on the issue at the

Commonwealth heads of gov-

sence on an enlarged U.N. Security Couocil, a more powerful Geoeral Assembly and restricted U.N. peacekeeping efforts with more money for fighting world poverty.

NAM countries weighed in against veto power on the Security Council committing "themselves to actively promote its curtailment with a view to its elimination," the

statement said. Cuban President Fidel Castro suggested earmarking two additional seats on an expanded Security Council for Latin America, two for Africa, and two more for Asia

(see page 5).
"United, we are a force. United, our voice cannot be ignored," said Mr. Castro, clad to a post-cold war business suit for his address instead of his usual military nniform. "No one else must speak for us.

All five declared nuclear

powers - the United States,

France, Britain, China and

Russia - have pledged to

sign a comprehensive test ban

treaty by the end of 1996.

Rossia and China have already signed the South

The 1985 accord is signed by the 16 members of the

South Pacific Forum. The sig-

natories have for several

years been pressing the three

western nuclear powers with

Pacific protocols.

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answered.

According to Al Dustour

U.S., France and Britain accept S.Pacific nuclear-free zone wide concern over nuclear

> The decision "allows us to advance our position by send-The 1995 nuclear non-

proliferation Treaty "recognised and encouraged the creations of such zones," it The Foreign Office said in

London, Britain's commitment, along with France and the United States, to sign the Rarotonga Treaty reflects

weapons, based on oegotiations between the governments of the region, can contribute to international peace and security," the statement

ing the stroogest possible signal of support for a nuclear weapons tree zone in the South Pacific," it said in a statement." "The decision also reflects our wish to respond in a

practical way to the concerns of those in the region and elsewhere about ouclear testing. It confirms our belief that an end to nuclear testing is in sight," said the state-

Swedish court rejects French quest for extradition of Algerian suspect

STOCKHOLM (AFP) — The Swedish Supreme Court refused Friday to approve the extraditioo to France of Algerian Abdul Karim Deneche suspected of being involved in a bomb attack in

The attack July 25 in a metro in Paris killed seven and was the first of eight attacks in France blamed on Algerian Islamic fun-The court said the interna-

tional arrest warrant issued by France - on which the extradition request is based — is "marred by an obvious error.

It said sufficient proof existed to corroborate Deneche's claim that he was in Stockholm the afternoon of July 25.

The court's decision cannot be overruled by the Swedish government.

Arrested on Aug. 21, the 39 year-old Algerian is still in detention in Stockholm, under a special law on surveillance of foreigners, awaiting a government decision on his expulsion from Sweden, requested by the Swedish sec-

In Paris, a spokesman for the French justice ministry said it had "taken note" of the Swedish decision. "The ministry has no other comment to make at the moment," he said.

In its five-page judgement, the Swedish court noted that it was not "particularly uo-usual" the Deneche "hesitated" when asked to account for his movements on July 25, as the first interrogation took place nearly a month later, on Aug. 21.

Prosecutor Klas Bergenstrand, who favoured extraditioo, described Deneche's alibis for July 25 as vague, especially his alleged visits to a social security office and a suburban post office to deposit money.
But the court ruled that a

receipt for Deneche's postal deposit bore an aothentic signature, verified by a criminal laboratory, and that there was oo "sufficient reason to suspect that the signature was counterfeit."

Both France and Sweden are signatories to the 1957 Eoropean Convention on Extradition. A French policeman, the main witness in the July 25 attack, said he recognised Deneche from a photo as one

of the three individuals who

he said were behaving suspi-

ciously shortly before the Deneche, who has been living in Sweden since the early 1990s, is suspected by French investigators of being a European-based leader of Algeria's ultra-radical Armed Islamic Group (GIA), which opposes the military-backed

régime in Algiers. Meanwhile, French officials said they would never oegotiate an end to the bombing wave in France and insisted it is their duty to continue economic aid to Algeria.

'My reaction is to never, never, never negotiate with terrorists," Interior Minister Jean-Louis Debre said on

French televisioo Thursday Appearing on the same programme, Foreign Minister Herve de Charette said it was France's "doty" to continue aid to Algeria, where the militants are waging a 3½-year-old insurgency against the military-installed government.

Earlier this week an Arabic-language newspaper published io London, Al Sharq Al Awsat, printed what it said was a GIA statement demanding that France halt aid to Algeria and that it break off diplomatic relations with Algeria.

The GIA also demanded that President Chirac cancel a scheduled meeting with Algerian Preisdent Liamine Zeroual in New York next week and that Paris condemn the scheduled Nov. 16 presidential election, which Mr. Zeroual is expected to win.

"If we were to brutally interrupt this aid, we would cut off provisions to the Algerian people," Mr. De Charette said.

Mr. De Charette repeated France's position that the meeting between Mr. Chirac and Mr. Zeroual was not an indication of France's support for Mr. Zeroual's presidential candidacy, sayiog that a "dialogue between two heads of state is a normal part of daily international life."

Turkish party leaders agree on details of coalition deal

ANKARA (Ageocies) — Turkish Prime Minister Tan-su Ciller's True Path (DYP). party and the Republican People's Party (CHP) of De-niz Baykal said Friday they had reached agreement on the basic principles for a coalition pact.

The announcement came after a meeting of a subcommittee set up Thursday to form a new coalition.

Turkey's government has been embroiled in crisis since Ms. Ciller's government was toppled by a no-confidence vote in parliament on Sunday. The crisis dates back to September 20, when Ms. Ciller resigned after a coalition with Mr. Baykal's leftleaning CHP collapsed and she was forced to opt for a

minority government.
Ms. Ciller and Mr. Baykai are now seeking to renew that same earlier coalition. A draft agreement will be drawn up and submitted to the sub-committee on Saturday at 0900 GMT, said Coskuo Kirca, DYP member and

foreign minister. The pact pledges to improve the human rights situa-tion in Turkey, modify article 8 of the anti-terrorist law, which restricts freedom of expression, to bring it into line with the European Convention on Human Rights, Mr. Kirca said.

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early legislative elections on Dec. 24 or in the first two weeks of January 1996. Polls were originally slated for autumn 1996.

On Friday, Mr. Baykal left Brussels for Bonn where he will meet leaders of the opposition Social Democratic Party (SDP), and was dne back later Friday in Ankara where he was to meet Ms.

An official announcement

on the new government was expected Friday night, or Saturday or Tnesday. Turkish President Suleyman Demirel is due to leave Ankara Saturday for New York to attend celebrations

of the 50th anniversary of the

United Nations, before re-

turning to Turkey on Oct. 24. Scores of people have been Another DYP-CHP subcommittee agreed Thursday iailed under article 8 of Turkey's anti-terror law for writnight on modifications to the electoral code, as well as ings and speeches mainly related to Ankara's treatment of an 11-year Kurdish insurgency in the southeast, in which more than 18,000 people have died, The European Parliament wants the article scrapped or ameoded in exchange for

After months of fruitless demands for wide democratic changes, European diplomats and Turkish commentators say the European Parliament will make do just with changes to article 8.

"The general impression is

that if only a comma is changed in article 8, customs onion will be approved," wrote columnist Taha Akyol in Milliyet daily. "So without" further ado.... parliament must 'change the comma' in the next two months." The new coalition will also

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deal between Ankara and the European Union (EU) by the eod of the year.

approving a customs union

Public workers, whose together this month, say the right-left alliance could solve

the pay dispute.
"With the CHP, we believe there will be a solution before a confidence vote for the new government next week," Yildirim Koc, a top official at labour confederation Turk-IS, told Reuters.